Indiana Juvenile Alternative Disposition Programs

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INTRODUCTION

Juvenile Alternative Dispositional Programs available throughout Indiana are featured in this publication. The intent is to encourage sharing of ideas and resources while minimizing duplication of efforts. Funding sources and levels are not listed since funding is so dependent on local resources. Please contact the local county for more information regarding funding and sample materials.

The catalog is organized by program category with each county and program listed in alphabetical order (i.e. Education, Drug/Alcohol, etc.). For each program, you will find the following:

- County Location
- Program Title
- Contact Information
- Program Description
- Target Population
- Collaborators (whether operated by the Probation Department or not)
- Participant fees or referral requirements (if applicable)

Not included are programs not generally run by probation departments, such as family therapy, information networks, assessments, parenting classes, and employment services.

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Program Categories

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Program Title and Contact Information

Project Attend

Contact:

Kathleen Lang, Probate Commissioner **E-mail:** mklang@laporecounty.org

County and Program Type

Program Description, Population, Collaborators, etc.

What is Project Attend?

Project A **end** is an educational program designed to assist schools in the reduction of truancy at the elementary and middle school level.

Schools identify families with excessive attendance problems. The family works with local agencies work to develop a written contract is designed to reduce unexcused absences. Parental involvement is required and the family understands they me be criminally liable if truancy continues.

Program Objectives:

- Education of families and children about the importance of school attendance
- Communication and collaboration between family, school official, and community agencies
- Increase in student attendance

Target Population:

Grades K-5

Program Collaborators:

- LP County Office of Family & Children
- All LP county school corporations
- Juvenile Probation
- County Attendance Officers
- LP County Prosecutor

Education

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COMMUNITY SERVICE

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Community Service is a program in which juvenile offenders are placed in a structured environment where they will have an opportunity to fulfill community service orders. The program partners with community agencies to help place youth in disciplined and well-structured environments that enable them to learn honest values and necessary job skills leading to honest careers.

Community Service includes neighborhood clean up and a variety of other short-term projects.

Eligibility Requirements:

Adjudicated youth under the age of 18

Phone: (812) 379-1635 **Fax:** (812) 373-2075

Contact:

David Woodward, Supervisor **Juvenile Probation**

E-mail: david@bartholomewco.com

The Community Service Program is when court-ordered youth report to an assigned business or jobsite to perform *Community Service* as requested by local business. The business and owners log their time and report it to the Community Corrections Officer assigned to the site.

Target Population:

- Ages 12 18
- Male and female offenders

Program Collaborators:

- **Bartholomew County Probation Department**
- Local businesses

There is a one-time fee of \$50.00 for participants.

Work Crew

Contact:

David Woodward, Supervisor Juvenile Probation

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Youth travel to an onsite location to work as part of a *Work Crew*. An adult supervisor remains onsite while the juveniles perform various physical jobs throughout the community. Some of the jobs include: mowing, clean-up of grounds and facilities, and community activities that are done without financial compensation.

Target Population:

- Ages 12 18
- Male and female offenders

Program Collaborators:

- Bartholomew County Probation Department
- Local community agencies

There is a \$2.00 per hour fee for participants.

Community Service Restitution

Contact:

Center for Community Justice

Elkhart:

121 S. 3rd Street Elkhart, IN 46516 **Ph:** (574) 295-6149

Goshen:

111 E. Washington St. Goshen, IN 46526 **Ph:** (574) 533-2501

Community Service Restitution provides non-violent offenders on probation the opportunity to perform hours of labor for public as well as private not-for-profit agencies for the purpose of restitution. A minimal fee may be required for participation in the program.

Target Population:

- Ages 13 18
- Non-violent offenders

Referral required.

Community Restoration

Contact:

Community Corrections

Community Restoration is a supervised crew of juvenile offenders that provide free community service to non-profit or governmental agencies within Johnson County. The crews are available at pre-arranged times to do general cleaning, painting, landscaping, mowing, basic building tasks, bulk mailings, etc. The crew is staffed with an adult supervisor who oversees the work.

Target Population:

- Males and female juvenile offenders
- Ages 12 18 years

There is a \$1.50/hour fee assessed.

Contact:

Diane Weiss-Bradley Chief Probation Officer

Community Service provides juvenile offenders the opportunity to perform a specified member of hours of labor within a limited time frame at a local non-profit agency. Juveniles complete the hours at a site of their choice or a site provided by the Court. A probation officer supervises. Referrals are accepted if the child is living in Lake County and on probation.

Target Population:

- Property damage offenders
- Offenders needing a community connection
- Probationers

Program Collaborators:

• Local non-profit agencies

This program is court ordered.

Contact:

Alternative Programs Department
Marion Superior Court,
Juvenile Division

Community Service is a program in which juvenile offenders are placed in a structured environment where they have an opportunity to fulfill community service orders. The program partners with 100 active agencies to help place youth in disciplined and well-structured environments that enable them to learn honest values and necessary job skills leading to honest careers.

Programs that are facilitated through *Community Service* include Kids Care About Neighborhoods (CAN) and Diversion II. *Community Service* includes neighborhood clean ups and work at the Bicycle Action Projects.

Eligibility Requirements:

• Youth between the ages of 12—15

Program Collaborators in 2003:

Goodwill Americorps Atkins Boys and Girls Club Gleaner's Food Bank Beech Grove Meadows **Indy Parks** Bicycle Action Project JTV Hill Center Broad Ripple Villages Assoc. Lakeview Manor Coburn Place Lifeline Cmmty. Center Concord Eagle Creek Homes Little Dove Daycare Clarian Health Partners Marion Co. Health Dept. Eagle Creek Park Marion Co. Prosecutor

Forest Manor Multi-Service Ctr. MLK Center

Flanner House

Perry Township Fire Department

Precious Angels Daycare Salvation Army St. Elizabeth Center The Family, Inc. Urban Arts

United States Army Veteran's Association Westview Hospital

This is a court-ordered program.

Marion Co. Sheriff's Dept.

Kids CAN (Care About Neighborhoods)

Phone: (317) 924-7490 **Fax:** (317) 924-7508

Contact:

Alternative Programs Department
Marion Superior Court,
Juvenile Division

There are two components of the Community Service Program; these include *Kids CAN* and the Garden Project. *Kids CAN* was developed about fifteen years ago. The program was designed for younger youth and youth who have a harder time finding an outside agency to complete their ordered hours of community service. In an effort to build respect for the property of others, youth work with neighborhood associations, Indy Parks, churches and community centers on Saturdays to help clean-up Indianapolis parks and neighborhoods.

2003 Kids CAN events were held at:

- Bicycle Action Project
- IPD West
- Lynhurst Health Center
- Various Indy Parks Locations
- English Avenue Neighborhood
- St. Matthews Lutheran Church

This is a court-ordered program.

Contact:

Valerie Hite, Family Support Services Counselor

Community Service is a program in which juvenile offenders are placed in a structured environment where they will have an opportunity to fulfill community service orders. The program partners with several community agencies to help place youth in disciplined and well-structured environments that enable them to learn honesty, values and necessary job skills leading to positive career choices. College interns supervise the youth for the months of May through September.

Service work within the community consists of mowing lawns for the elderly, cleaning and preparing the county 4-H fairgrounds for the county fair, raking leaves, etc.

Eligibility Requirements:

- All adjudicated juveniles on probation
- Grades 6 − 8

There is a \$7 fee for liability insurance.

Contact:

Renee Marsteller,
Chief Juvenile Probation Officer
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Community Service is where juvenile offenders are placed on formal and informal probation and ordered to complete community service through Putnam County Community Corrections. Putnam County Community Corrections provides juveniles with locations in Putnam County to complete community service hours.

Target Population:

Juveniles ten years and above

Program Collaborators:

Putnam County Community Corrections

Contact:

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Chief Probation Officer,
Circuit & Superior Courts

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Community Service is a program in which juvenile offenders are placed in a structured environment where they will fulfill community service orders. It is designed to reinforce accountability for the offender's actions by meeting on Saturdays and completing local beautification projects.

Target Population:

Repeat adjudicated delinquents

Phone: (574) 235-KIDS Fax: (574) 235-5382

Contact:

St. Joseph County Juvenile Justice Center

Web Address: http://users.michiana.org/probate/

Community Service is a program in which juvenile offenders are placed in a structured environment where they will fulfill community service work orders. It is designed to reinforce accountability for the offender's actions by doing work for non-profit or governmental agencies.

Target Population:

Repeat adjudicated delinquents

DRUG/ALCOHOL

Day Treatment Program

Phone: (812) 379-1635 **Fax:** (812) 373-2075

Contact:

David Woodward, Supervisor Juvenile Probation

E-mail: davidw@bartholomewco.com

The Day Treatment Program is a six-month program based on completion of various competencies including drug and alcohol treatment, money management, **Thinking for A Change** and **Home Detention**. Additionally, parents are required to complete the *Parent Project*.

Target Population:

- Ages 12 18
- High to moderate risk

Program Collaborators:

Youth Services Center

Pathways to Self Discovery

Phone: (812) 379-1635 **Fax:** (812) 373-2075

Contact:

David Woodward, Supervisor **Juvenile Probation**

E-mail: davidw@bartholomewco.com

Pathways to Self Discovery is a cognitive based program that identifies risk behaviors and triggers to substance abuse. The program assists the juvenile in implementing effective problem-solving skills designed to help decrease substance and alcohol use.

Target Population:

- Ages 12 18
- High-risk scores for substance abuse

Program Collaborators:

Youth Services Center

Minor Consuming Program

Contact:

Tim McAlhany, Chief Probation Officer

The *Minor Consuming Program* is a four-hour Saturday program. A counselor comes in to speak about alcohol and other drugs and the effects drugs have on the body. A panel of former drug and alcohol users talk about their experiences. A police officer discusses the various laws and shows how Fatal Vision goggles and sobriety tests are used to measure drug and alcohol consumption.

Target Population:

- Juveniles under the age of 18
- Juveniles arrested for alcohol and related offenses
- First-time offenders

- Law Enforcement agencies
- Community counseling agencies

Intensive Substance Abuse Program

Contact:

Jessica Gaiser, Juvenile Probation Officer **E-mail:** jgaiser@elkhartcounty.com

The *Intensive Substance Abuse Program* is designed to hold the participant accountable for a substance-free, crime-free life. It is also the goal of the program to strengthen the family's ability to support this lifestyle. This includes close supervision by Probation and treatment providers.

Target Population:

- Juvenile offenders under age 17
- Juveniles with addictions issues

This program is court ordered.

Juvenile Drug Court

Contact:

Don Travis, Chief Juvenile Probation Officer E-mail: don_travis@co.howard.in.us Address: http://co.howard.in.us/juv/

The Juvenile Drug Court focuses on addicted youth who have been adjudicated a delinquent. The program is a comprehensive and judicially monitored program for addictions treatment and rehabilitative services. The intent of the program is to develop and coordinate new and existing resources to be provided to youth who are addicted and are under the jurisdiction of the Court. Team meetings are held with collaborating agencies to identify client needs weekly.

Program Goals:

- Reduce participant contacts with the criminal justice system
- Reduce costs associated with criminal case proceedings and institutional treatment
- Participants ongoing process of recovery to achieve total abstinence from drugs
- Promote self-sufficiency and empowerment to become productive and responsible

Target Population:

- Adjudicated youth for offenses involving drugs or alcohol
- Youth adjudicated where substance abuse was the causal factor of delinquency
- Potential candidates for in-patient hospitalization for substance abuse

- Howard County Prosecutor
- Public Defender
- Howard Circuit Court
- Kokomo Schools
- Local Mental Health Agencies

Drug & Alcohol Education

Contact:

Jasper County Probation

E-mail: probation@co.jasper.in.us

The Drug/Alcohol Education Program is a six (6) hour drug and alcohol educational group. The program is held for four (4) consecutive Tuesday evenings. Facilitators discuss the dangers of drug and alcohol use and the effects on the body. Youth discuss personal experiences and problems with peer pressure.

Target Population:

- First-time offenders (typically)
- Ages 13 17
- Youth who have committed drug/alcohol related offenses

Program Collaborators:

• Ryan & Ryan Consulting and Educational Development, Inc.

There is a \$70 participation fee per client.

Facing Adolescent Challenges Together (FACT)

Contact:

Community Corrections

FACT is an 8-hour educational drug and alcohol program. Parents must attend with their child while both are educated on the physical, mental emotional and financial implications of drug and alcohol abuse. The program makes parents and children aware of the governing laws, parental responsibilities and the potential consequences brought on by drug and alcohol use.

Target Population:

- Male and female juvenile offenders
- Ages 12 18
- Juveniles in the experimental stages of drug and alcohol use

Program Collaborators:

- Johnson Memorial Hospital
- Community Volunteers

There is a \$50 fee for the assessment.

Intensive Outpatient Program

Contact:

Community Corrections

The Intensive Outpatient Program is a 12-week, 24-session substance abuse recovery program. Youth meet two times per week for two hours each session. One session per week, youth are joined by their parents to work on family related issues. This program works to uncover the underlying causes related to the substance abuse by using an experiential hands-on approach.

Target Population:

- Males
- Ages 13 18
- Juveniles with a history of substance use

Program Collaborators:

- Detention Center
- Juvenile Probation

There is a \$120 fee -\$5/session.

Alcohol Education Program

Contact:

Diane Weiss-Bradley Chief Probation Officer

The *Alcohol Education Program* is a four-hour educational program designed to enlighten juveniles regarding the negative effects of alcohol and/or substance use. The program covers the physical, emotional, personal and legal effects of such use. This is a group activity utilizing writing assignments and discussions led by master's level therapists.

Target Population:

Juveniles having alcohol or substance-related offenses

Curfew Alcohol Battery Court – (CAB)

Contact:

Lyn Swanson, Juvenile Probation Officer **E-mail:** lswanson@laporecounty.org

The *Curfew Alcohol Battery Court (CAB)* is designed for juveniles who have been detained by local law enforcement and are in violation of a minor offense. The juvenile is ticketed and required to appear in *CAB* court.

CAB Court is held every second Friday of each month. Juveniles receive a variety of sanctions including referrals to programs to address drug and alcohol use, anger management and probation.

Offenses addressed by CAB:

- Curfew violation
- Disorderly conduct
- ABC violation
- Misdemeanor battery
- Criminal mischief
- Other minor offenses

Target Population:

- Juvenile offenders up to age 18
- Juveniles in Michigan City and LaPorte area schools
- Juveniles in surrounding areas

Seven Challenges

Fax: (219) 324-0147 **Phone:** (219) 326-6808 ext. 224

Contact:

Lyn Swanson, **Juvenile Probation Officer**

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Seven Challenges is a 12 – 18 week developmentally appropriate program designed for adolescents with substance abuse issues. Seven Challenges presents a realistic approach to adolescent alcohol and drug use. Treatment focuses on increasing internal motivators that ultimately change external behaviors.

The program is based on Piaget's learning theory. Interventions include: homebased counseling, family and group sessions, community-based social training and school-based counseling.

Program Goals:

- Decrease substance use
- Decrease aggressive/criminal behavior
- Increase communication between family members and adults

Target Population:

- Juvenile offenders with drug or alcohol issues
- Age varies but adolescents are targeted

REDIRECT

Contact:

Kim Jackson, Program Director

REDIRECT is a post-adjudicative program referred to by the Lawrence County Juvenile Drug Court for juvenile offenders who have committed drug/substance-related offenses. The program averages 9-16 months but may be extended at the team's discretion. The program consists of, but is not limited to the following: smoking cessation groups, prevention education activities, GED testing classes, community service projects, life skills, home economics, and boot camp.

Target Population:

- Juveniles ages 12 17
- Juveniles adjudicated for non-violent offenses who are diagnosed as substance abusers or chemically dependent
- Misdemeanants and felony offenders whose criminal activities are related to substance issues
- Probationers and previous probationers displaying a need for substance abuse treatment because of positive drug screens, destructive or delinquent activity
- Juveniles satisfying the above categories and also exhibiting problems at school or lack family cohesion or support

- Hoosier Uplands
- Prosecutor's Office
- Probation Department
- Bedford Medical Center
- Indiana Criminal Justice Institute
- Indiana Youth Institute
- Indiana Tobacco Prevention Coalition
- Lawrence County Learning Center
- Bedford Enterprise Associations
- Purdue Extension
- DAWN Patrol

Strengthening Families

Contact:

Kim Jackson, Program Director

Strengthening Families is a program facilitated by REDIRECT as part of court-ordered services through the Lawrence County Juvenile Drug Corut (LCJDC). It is a seven-week program focusing on alcohol and drug prevention. Juvenile offenders with drug/substance-related charges and their families are ordered to participate. The program works with the youth and parents separately then brings them together for processing the last hour. Both youth and parent sessions include more informal interactions and game-like learning activities. Additionally, Strengthening Families has a four-week follow up "booster" program held after the initial seven weeks is completed.

Target Population:

• Juveniles ages 12 - 17 and their families

Program Goals:

- To help parents/caregivers learn nurturing skills that support their children
- To teach parents/caregivers how to effectively discipline and guide their youth
- To give youth a healthy future orientation and an increased appreciation of their parents/caregivers
- To teach youth skills for dealing with stress and peer pressure

- Rob Riley
- Hoosier Uplands
- Community Volunteers

Facing Adolescent Challenges Together (FACT)

Phone: (317) 924-7490 **Fax:** (317) 924-7508

Contact:

Heather Smith, Program Director **Alternative Programs Department** Marion Superior Court, Juvenile Division

FACT is two-day, eight-hour program for court ordered youth who have been charged with an alcohol or drug charge or who have a history of substance abuse. This "interactive encounter" between facilitators, youth and their parents is a medium to educate Marion County youth on the consequences of choosing a lifestyle of drugs, alcohol and poor decision making. The program is continually achieving its goal of providing both an educational and experiential aspect to teaching drug and alcohol awareness, which directly impacts the adolescent population.

Eligibility Requirements:

- Ages of 10—17
- Juveniles charged with an alcohol or drug offense or;
- Juveniles who have a history of substance abuse

- Clarian Health
- Marion County Superior Court, Juvenile Division Drug Court

Substance Abuse Treatment Programs

Phone: (765) 653-1257 **Fax:** (765) 653-0234

Contact:

Renee Marsteller,
Chief Juvenile Probation Officer
E-mail: pccmarsteller@airhop.com

Juveniles are ordered to participate in *Substance Abuse Treatment* classes through the Hamilton Center. The Hamilton Center offers two groups for juveniles – an education group and an intensive group therapy. These groups are designed to provide education and treatment to juveniles about substance abuse issues.

Target Population:

• Ages 12 years and above

Program Collaborators:

Hamilton Center

Out of county referrals are welcome.

Adolescent Treatment & Recovery Group

Contact:

Shannon Schmaltz,
Chief Probation Officer,
Circuit & Superior Courts

E-mail: schmaltz@ripleycounty.com

The *Adolescent Treatment & Recovery Program* is for juveniles and at least one of their parents. The family attends twelve (12) sessions during the eight (8) week program to address alcohol and drug abuse issues. There are three substance abuse therapists who facilitate the group meetings. Juveniles are administered drug screens during the program. Completion of the program is based on the individual terms of probation.

Target Population:

• Juveniles identified with substance abuse issues

Program Collaborators:

Lifeworks Counseling

Drug/Alcohol Education

Contact:

Maralee Ruark, Probation Officer

Drug/Alcohol Education is a basic drug and alcohol educational program that is divided into six one-hour sessions. A drug assessment along with pre- and post-tests are given to each participant. Parents are required to attend the final session.

Target Population:

- First-time offenders
- Drug/alcohol offenders

Program Collaborators:

Southern Hills Counseling Center

There is a \$125 - \$150 participation fee.

Court Ordered Substance Abuse Treatment (COSAT)

Fax: (574) 235-5382 **Phone:** (574) 235-KIDS

Contact:

St. Joseph County Juvenile Justice Center

Web Address: http://users.michiana.org/probate/

If it has been determined that a juvenile needs treatment for alcohol or drugs, the child may be ordered to attend *COSAT* classes. *COSAT* is a 12-week program that meets twice a week. Parents are required to participate in group therapy with their child once a week. The child may be ordered to continue in an "aftercare program" for an additional three months. Through group therapy and student reflection, COSAT instructors teach the personal consequences of abusing drugs and alcohol.

Target Population:

• Probationers with substance abuse problems

Program Collaborators:

- Madison Center for Children
- Dockside Services

There is a \$120.00 program fee per family.

Drug Court

Phone: (812) 435-5132 **Fax:** (812) 435-5043

Contact:

Trent Barnett,

Vanderburgh County Juvenile Drug Court E-mail: dbarnett@vanderburghgov.org

Drug Court is a court supervised comprehensive treatment program for juvenile offenders and their families. The program serves substance-abusing youth who are at high risk of commitment to the Department of Corrections. The goals are to assist youth in overcoming their addictions and save them, their families and the community from the physical, mental and monetary burdens associated with incarceration and substance abuse.

Drug Court includes in-patient and outpatient treatment, random drug testing, NA or AA meetings, youth group meetings, Probation Officer's visits and regular appearance before the Judge of Juvenile Court. The program length is determined by individual progress and is ultimately determined by the Judge. For those youths who are accepted into the program they receive intensive supervision with the possibility of having their offense expunged from their record if they have successfully completed the program.

Target Population:

- Probationers with positive drug screens
- Juvenile offenders who have failed treatment in the past
- Juveniles with a significant substance abuse history
- Family participation is essential

Program Collaborators:

- Youth Care Center
- Youth Services Bureau
- Southwestern Regional Youth Village
- Youth Alcohol Program
- Evansville-Vanderburgh School Corporation

Typically, no additional costs or fees required.

Adolescent Intensive Outpatient

Contact:

Keith Pittman, Program Manager Hamilton Center, Inc.

The *Adolescent Intensive Outpatient Program* is an intensive program designed to meet the needs of those youth that are active and/or chronic substance abusers. Most of these teens' substance usage has led to at least one significantly decreased or impaired area of functioning (i.e. arrest, school suspension, school expulsion, school failure, family conflict, residential placement, etc.)

Each teen is assessed individually and input is gathered from a parent or guardian, before a recommendation regarding treatment is made. The program is designed to include the adolescent's family in treatment and to teach each adolescent to refrain from the illegal and harmful use of alcohol and other drugs while living in the community and attending school or work.

Program Collaborators:

Hamilton Center

Participation fees apply.

Substance Abuse Fundamental Education(SAFE)

Contact:

Kim Daggy, Juvenile Probation Supervisor

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SAFE is a drug and alcohol workshop that meets the first Saturday of each month. It is designed for first-time drug and alcohol offenders whether they are adjuctated and non-adjudicted. Parents must be present to enroll their child. Topics to be covered are: disease concept, alcohol, marijuana, designer drugs, inhalants, pain killers, and an introduction to the 12-Step program for youth or their loved ones.

Target Population:

- First-time drug and alcohol offenders
- Middle school through high school youth

Program Collaborators:

Dunn Meadow Health Center

There is a \$35.00 fee for participants.

EDUCATION

Education – Alternative School

Two Rivers Academy Alternative School

Contact:

William Hiatt, Chief Probation Officer

The *Two Rivers Academy Alternative School* is designed for students with significant behavior problems in the traditional school system. It is run by the 4-County County Center and is coordinated through the probatin department.

Target Population:

- Grades $6^{th} 8^{th}$
- Juveniles with significant behavior problems

Program Collaborators:

Four County Counseling Center

Program Oriented to Opportunistic Learning (POOL School)

Contact:

Mike Small, Assistant Chief **E-mail:** msmall@grantcounty.net

POOL School is an alternative school for students who have been expelled or in lieu of expulsion from the traditional school setting. Classes are held at the Grant County Probation Department. Juveniles are put on probation while they satisfy the order of the Court. Students are able earn time off for good behavior when they progress successfully through the level system. Along with traditional classes, students attend sessions such as "Character Counts" and "Aggression Replacement Therapy" which teaches them how to channel their anger in a more appropriate and socially acceptable manner.

Target Population:

- Low to high risk students
- Students who have been expelled from school
- Grades 6-11

Alternative School Program

Contact:

Don Travis, Chief Juvenile Probation Officer **E-mail:** don travis@co.howard.in.us

Web Address: http://www.co.howard.in.us/juv

The Alternative School Program (ASP) is designed to be preventative by offering an alternative to expulsion. ASP utilizes an on-line educational program in an alternative school system allowing students with delinquent histories to avoid expulsion. The program also serves as an educational tool for the Juvenile Drug Court program.

Target Population:

• Youth pending expulsion from Kokomo Center Schools

Program Collaborators:

- Kokomo Center Schools
- Indiana Criminal Justice Institute

Alternative School

Contact:

Donald Fry, Chief Probation Officer

Alernative School is run by the three school discricts in LaGrange County and coordinated by the Probation Department. The grades range from $6^{th} - 12^{th}$ and is used as an alternative to expulsion. Upon the second referral, counseling is added.

Target Population:

- Juveniles age 13 17
- Students that would otherwise be expelled

Michigan City Alternative Placement Program

Contact:

Kathleen Lang,
Probate Commissioner

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Michigan City Alternative Placement Program (MAP) is an alternative to out-of-school suspension. Children have an extended school day where they are supervised by MAP staff. Staff monitors school assignments and daily behavior. Children receive behavior modification training and participate in community service. Counseling services are required for the student and their parents. Transportation is provided to some area schools with parental pick-up required. Children having repeat discipline incidents, including truancy are court-ordered to attend. Academics, behavior modification instruction and family counseling is required.

Program Objectives:

- Reintegration into the middle school setting
- Preparation for graduation
- Academic and behavioral success

Target Population:

- Grades 6 − 8
- Children with excessive infractions, missed detentions, truancies, social and behavioral issues

Program Collaborators:

Michigan City Area Schools

Probation Assisting Students to Succeed (PASS)

Contact:

Valerie Hite,

Family Support Services Counselor

PASS is a program that was started as a partnership between the Marshall County Probation Department and Plymouth Community School Corporation. **PASS** was created as a support system to establish good study habits and positive behaviors. The program helps students steer away from poor choices including alcohol, drugs, and other illegal behaviors.

PASS is a daily after school program for Lincoln Junior High School students on probation. A master's degree level teacher provides individual instruction and assistance in all subject areas. Students are encouraged in positive behaviors. The mentor teacher communicates with each of the student's teachers. A weekly report is kept on grades, assignments completed/missing, and behavior. These reports are discussed with the students and sent to the student's academic team of teachers, Lincoln administration, parents, and probation officers.

Eligibility Requirements:

- All adjudicated juveniles on probation
- Grades 6 − 8

Program Collaborators:

- Marshall County Probation Department
- Plymouth Community Schools Lincoln Junior High

Alternative Education

Contact:

Deborah Widup,
Chief Probation Officer
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Alternative Education is a summer educational program designed for students who need to catch up with their grade and in lieu of repeating a grade level. Along with the traditional educational focus, Alternative Education also offers 1:1 tutoring, informal drug and alcohol education, and smoking cessation. The goal is to help high-risk students get back on track before school begins in the fall.

Target Population:

- Juveniles all grade levels
- High risk juveniles

Program Collaborators:

- East Pulaski High School
- West Central
- North Judson/San Pierre Schools
- Culver School

This program is court ordered.

Central Academy

Phone: (574) 235-KIDS **Fax:** (574) 235-5382

Contact:

St. Joseph County Juvenile Justice Center

Web Address: http://users.michiana.org/probate/

Central Academy is a school operated by the Friends of the Juvenile Justice Center which was created by the Probate Court Judge. It was designed for students who have been either expelled, suspended, truant or at high risk of not completing school. All students who attend the Academy must be on probation and court ordered to attend. Central Academy offers accelerated classes for 7th, 8th and 9th grade students where they can obtain specialized tutoring and hands-on learning.

Target Population:

- Probationers with special circumstances
- Court-supervised parental involvement is required

START II

Contact:

Hon. Brett Niemeier, Judge Vanderburgh Superior Court

START II is an alternative school for probationers who have been expelled from traditional school and court ordered to attend this court-run classroom. Located on school grounds, students are taught grade-appropriate academics, discipline, life skills and special instruction on drug and alcohol awareness.

Target Population:

- High school age juvenile delinquents
- Youth determined to be high risk

Program Collaborators:

• Evansville-Vanderburgh School Corporation

Education – First Offender

First Offender - Shoplifting

Contact:

William Hiatt, Chief Probation Officer

Participation in the *First Offender-Shoplifting Program* can either be court-ordered or as an Informal Adjustment. The program meets two times a week for three weeks and requires the juvenile's family to be in attendance for the last session. *First Offender-Shoplifting* is designed to inform the child and family about the potential consequences and ramifications of shoplifting. The program includes a tour of the jail. After the sessions are completed, the juvenile is required to write an apology letter to the business where he/she was charged with the offense and to deliver it personally as a condition of their probation. Out of County referrals are accepted.

Target Population:

- First-time offenders
- Parental participation is required

Program participation fee - \$25.00.

Shoplifter's Program

Contact:

Tim McAlhany, Chief Probation Officer

The *Shoplifter's Program* is a youth interactive deterrent program. The goal is to deter further shoplifting behavior by providing accurate information about the long term risks of shoplifting, exploring motivation for high risk behaviors, and offering opportunities to seek alternative behaviors to the youth's emotional goal of challenge.

The *Shoplifter's Program* provides timely and focused intervention about risk behavior. This ongoing program allows teens to immediately address their ideas and the consequences of shoplifting.

Target Population:

- First-time offenders and their parents
- Informal Adjustments

Program Collaborators:

• Caring About People (CAP)

There is a \$50.00 program fee.

Shoplifting Clinic

Contact:

Dana Welling, Juvenile Probation Officer **E-mail:** dwelling@elkhartcounty.com

The *Shoplifting Clinic* is a one-night program that requires the juvenile and his/her family be in attendance. It is designed to inform the child and family about the potential consequences and ramifications of shoplifting. The program includes a tour of the Detention Center and the juvenile is required to write an apology letter to the business where he/she was charged with the offense.

Target Population:

- Juvenile offenders
- First-time offenders
- Parental participation is required

There is a minimal charge for the program.

First Offender's Program

Phone: (317) 477-1135 Fax: (317) 477-1182

Contact:

Kevin Minnick, **Prevention Specialist**

E-mail: kminnick@hancockcoingov.org

The *First Offender's Program* provides initial education to first-time offenders. Topics include: cause and effect relations, choices and consequences, values, substance use and The Ladder of Probation. The goal is to educate juveniles about their choices and encourage right behavior before they become further involved in the legal system.

Target Population:

- Any age juvenile
- First-time offenders
- Formal and informal adjudications

Juvenile Diversion Program

Contact:

Elizabeth Day, Chief Probation Officer
E-mail: lday@aye.net

The *Juvenile Diversion Program* is a program designed for first-time offenders. Its purpose is to divert juveniles from more serious incidents that would further involve them in the juvenile court system. The program focuses on education, the child/parent relationship (mandatory), good decision-making and parenting skills.

Target Population:

- First-time offenders
- Ages 10 18
- Minor offenses
- Juveniles with a positive attitude about changing their behavior
- Parental support and attendance is mandatory

Program Collaborators:

Purdue Extension

Conversion Diversion Program

Contact:

Diane Weiss-Bradley Chief Probation Officer

The *Conversion Diversion Program* is a four-hour educational program is designed to enlighten juveniles regarding the negative effects of shoplifting. This program includes an understanding of the personal, societal, and legal ramifications behind shoplifting. The program is a group activity using writing assignments and discussion led by a master's level therapist. Referrals are accepted if the child is living in Lake County and on probation.

Target Population:

Juveniles referred to the court for conversion charges

Prevent Program

Contact:

Traci Lane, Probation Officer **E-mail:** tlane@madisoncty.com

The Prevent Program is aimed at youth entering the Juvenile Justice System for the first time. It is comprised of five sessions each lasting two hours in length. Participants are educated on the effects of alcohol and drug use in session one. Session Two deals with family communication techniques, while Session Three discusses the facts and fiction of shoplifting and its effect on the economy and the community. Anger control is covered in Session Four and juveniles are taught how to recognize the beginning signs of anger and how to counteract negative behavior through the use of effective tools.

The closing night session is an open forum where clients may discuss how the program has changed their lives. Juveniles will be challenged to talk about what positive choices they have made for their future. Guest speakers talk about how positive choices helped them in reaching their goals. Juveniles can be referred to all or individual components.

Target Population:

First-time offenders

Shoplifting Deterrent Clinic

Phone: (574) 235-KIDS **Fax:** (574) 235-5382

Contact:

St. Joseph County
Juvenile Justice Center

Web Address: http://users.michiana.org/probate/

The *Shoplifting Deterrent Clinic* involves professional people from the commuity who are knowledgeable and concerned about shoplifting. Police officers, merchants, ex-offenders, therapists and educators will speak to the juveniles during a four-week program for first-time offenders.

Target Population:

- Juveniles charged with a shoplifting offense
- First-time offenders
- Parental involvement required

A \$15.00 program fee applies to Informal Adjustments.

Infraction Deferral

Contact:

Barb Lance, Probation Officer

E-mail: pobarb77@joinr.com

The *Infraction Deferral* is provided to certain infractions committed by first-time juvenile offenders. For infractions such as Possession of Tobacco or Driving ORV (Off Road Vehicles) on county roads, juveniles are required to write an essay such as, "How Tobacco Effects Me" and "Why We Have Conservation laws." The juvenile is also put on a 30-day probation period. The program is an alternative to parents paying a fine but with the *Infraction Deferral*, the juvenile is held responsible for his/her offense.

Target Population:

• First-time offenders

First Offender's Program

Contact:

Dallas Duggan,
Chief Probation Officer
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The *First Offender's Program* is an 8-hour program that provides initial education to first-time offenders. The program is held on Saturdays and topics include: cause and effect relations, choices and consequences, values and substance use. The goal is to educate juveniles about their choices and encourage right behavior before they become further involved in the legal system. Parents participate in the last two hours of the session.

Target Population:

- Any age juvenile
- First-time offenders
- Formal and informal adjudications

First Offender's Program

Contact:

Terry Corso, Chief Probation Officer **E-mail:** tjc_wcpd@hotmail.com

The First Offender's Program is a diversion program for low-risk, first-time offenders. Youth are required to attend a five (5) session program with parents being required to attend the last session. Topics covered are: alcohol and drug abuse, peer pressure, decision-making, and consequences. Participants are given urine screens and must perform ten hours of community service.

Target Population:

- First-time offenders
- Non-violent offenders
- Ages 13 17

Program Collaborators:

• Wabash Valley Mental Health

There is a program fee of \$150.00 per participant. Out-of-County referrals welcome.

Education – Life Skills

Thinking for a Change

Contact:

David Woodward
Supervisor, Juvenile Probation
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Thinking for a Change integrates cognitive approaches for changing behavior by facilitating a restructuring of offenders' thoughts, antisocial attitudes, values and beliefs. The program teaches appropriate social skills, demonstrates effective problem-solving techniques and helps the juvenile consider the consequences for their actions. The class meets twice a week for twelve weeks.

Target Population:

- Ages of 12 18
- Moderate risk youth

Program Collaborators:

Youth Services Center

Program for Change

Contact:

Marci Rosenbarger, Probation Officer **E-mail:** marci_probation@yahoo.com

Program for Change is a one-day education and assessment tool designed to assist in the reduction of recidivism for juvenile offenders. The program is for juveniles needing more than a "warn and release" contact with the probation department, but where a petition alleging delinquency is not warranted.

Referrals come from probation departments and school counselors. The program addresses in both individual and group exercises how to change behavior, improve self-image, deal more effectively with peer pressure, increase awareness of the dangers of substance abuse and assume responsibility for behaviors.

The program helps the juvenile recognize warning signs that are often overlooked and make intelligent and appropriate choices. Class size ranges from 8-12 members. At least one parent must be present for the afternoon session where the adolescent and the adult complete a Contract for Change together. Participation in verbal and written exercises and participation with others is required.

Target Population:

- Ages 12 17
- First and second time offenders
- Non-status offenders
- Adjudicated and non-adjudicated youth
- Informal Adjustments

Program Collaborators:

Warren County Probation

Adolescent Responsible Thinking (ART)

Phone: (260) 925-2400 **Fax:** (260) 925-5942

Contact:

Tim McAlhany, Chief Probation Officer

The *Adolescent Responsible Thinking Program* (*ART*) stresses the basic premise is "If you keep on thinking what you've been thinking, you'll keep getting what you've been getting."

The Program Helps Adolescents to:

- Understand what the ten (10) thinking errors are in adolescents
- Understand how they use these thinking errors in daily life
- Recognize when they are using a thinking error
- Develop skills to avoid thinking errors
- Teach the adolescent to act responsibly

Target Population:

- Delinquent children
- Children who have made bad choices

Program Collaborators:

Lifeline Youth and Family Services

Getting Over Angry Lives (GOAL)

Contact:

Youth Services Bureau http://www.elkhartysb.org/GOAL.htm

GOAL is a seven-week anger management series for youth. Depending on their age, youth are part of a group that develops improved communication skills, learns positive ways of dealing with anger, and about how anger affects their body.

Target Population:

• Youth with anger management problems

There is a \$60.00 participation fee required.

Henry County Youth League

Contact:

Susan Lightfoot,
Chief Probation Officer
E-mail: slightfoot@henryco.net

The Henry County Youth League is an eight (8) week program that handles court-ordered at risk youth residing in Henry County. Law enforcement and Probation Officers facilitate the weekly meetings that focus on substance abuse education, life skills, law-related education, self-esteem building, first-aid and AIDS awareness and other special topics aimed at deterring youth from further legal trouble. Parental cooperation and commitment is key. The program is free to youth and funded by donations and grants.

Target Population:

- At risk youth
- Henry County residents

Program Collaborators:

- Henry County
- City and State law enforcement
- Mental Health Agencies
- Local Attorneys

This program is court ordered.

Program for Change

Contact:

Jasper County Probation

E-mail: probation@co.jasper.in.us

Program for Change is a one-day education and assessment tool designed to assist probation departments in reducing recidivism in juvenile offenders. The program was developed by a team of social workers and addiction counselors for use with both status and non-status juvenile offenders.

Referrals come from probation departments and school counselors. The goal is to address how to change behavior, improve self-image, deal more effectively with peer pressure, increase awareness of the dangers of substance abuse, and assume responsibility for behaviors through both individual and group exercises. The program helps the juvenile recognize the warning signs that are often overlooked and make intelligent and appropriate choices.

Target Population:

- Ages 12 17
- First or second time offenders needing more than "warn and release"
- Status and Non-status offenders
- Adjudicated and Non-adjudicated youth
- At least one parent must attend the afternoon session

Program Collaborators:

 Tippecanoe County Adult Probation Department – David Hullinger, Deputy Chief Probation Officer

Anger Management

Contact:

Reach for Youth

Phone: (317) 920-5900

E-mail: rfy@reachforyouth.org

Web Address: http://www.reachforyouth.org/

Anger Management is a counseling group to help teens analyze mood patterns and identify triggers for anger and other emotions. Teens are taught to set goals for managing anger by linking thoughts, feeling and actions together.

Target Population:

- Male and female juvenile offenders
- Ages 13 17

Program Collaborators:

Reach for Youth

Thinking for a Change

Contact:

Community Corrections

What is Thinking for a Change?

Thinking for a Change is comprised of 22 lessons. Participants attend the program two days a week for two hour sessions for 14 weeks. It is a research-based, cognitive restructuring curriculum comprised of three basic components: cognitive self-change, social skills and problem-solving. Cognitive self-change identifies thinking, beliefs, attitude and value building methods. There are eleven lessons targeting critical social skills, which support the cognitive restructuring process and is followed by problem-solving techniques.

Target Population:

- Male and female (groups run separately)
- Ages 12 18

There is a \$150 program fee.

PETALS

Contact:

Heather Smith, Program Director Alternative Programs Department Marion Superior Court, Juvenile Division

PETALS stands for: Personal Empowerment Towards Acquiring Life Skills.

It is designed to provide young girls with the tools needed to become mature, responsible women. This goal is accomplished by increasing self-esteem through self-expression, role-playing activities, encounters with guest speakers and group activities. *PETALS* holds the girls accountable for their decisions and shows them the consequences of such decisions.

Each class is limited to fifteen girls and meets for an eleven to twelve-week process. It encompasses education in female health, self-esteem, conflict mediation, drug and alcohol education, goal setting and career planning. Each session runs for 90 minutes. The focus is to teach young ladies how to effectively interact with peers on a daily basis. For that reason, a "group-like" atmosphere is employed which provides the girls with an opportunity to role play during sessions and practice new communication skills.

Eligibility Requirements:

- Females who are first or second-time offenders
- Ages 12 15
- Actively on probation
- No active mental health issues

Program Collaborators:

• Girls, Inc.

This program is court ordered.

Program for Change

Contact:

Lisa Brittain,
Juvenile Probation Officer
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Program for Change is a one-day education and assessment tool designed to assist probation departments in reducing recidivism in juvenile offenders. The program was developed by a team of social workers and addiction counselors for use with both status and non-status juvenile offenders.

Referrals come from probation departments and school counselors. The goal is to address how to change behavior, improve self-image, deal more effectively with peer pressure, increase awareness of the dangers of substance abuse, and assume responsibility for behaviors through both individual and group exercises. The program helps the juvenile recognize the warning signs that are often overlooked and make intelligent and appropriate choices.

Target Population:

- Ages 12 17
- First or second time offenders needing more than "warn and release"
- Status and Non-status offenders
- Adjudicated and Non-adjudicated youth
- At least one parent must attend the afternoon session

Program Collaborators:

David Hullinger

Thinking for A Change

Contact:

Donna McElroy
Chief Probation Officer
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Thinking for a Change integrates cognitive approaches for changing behavior by facilitating a restructuring of offenders' thoughts, antisocial attitudes, values and beliefs. The program teaches appropriate social skills, demonstrates effective problem-solving techniques and helps the juvenile consider the consequences for their actions. The class meets twice a week for twelve weeks.

Target Population:

High risk juveniles

Anger Management

Contact:

Renee Marsteller,
Chief Juvenile Probation Officer
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Anger Management classes are offered through the Putnam County Youth Development Commission for juveniles involved through the court system. This program helps the juveniles deal with anger issues and everyday coping skills. There is no cost for this program.

Target Population:

Any age juvenile

Program for Change

Contact:

Renee Marsteller,
Chief Juvenile Probation Officer
E-mail: pccmarsteller@airhop.com

Program for Change is held on Saturdays from 8:00 – 4:00. It is offered to juveniles placed on informal probation and have committed their first offense. The program helps the juveniles realize how serious the crime is they have committed and what will happen if they enter the formal juvenile court system. This program also educates the juveniles about the juvenile justice system and how to make better decisions.

Target Population:

- Juveniles 12 18 years
- First-time offenders
- Informal probationers

Program Collaborators:

• Dave Hullinger of Tippecanoe County

Out of county referrals are welcome.

Thinking for a Change

Contact:

Renee Marsteller,
Chief Juvenile Probation Officer
E-mail: pccmarsteller@airhop.com

Thinking for a Change is a program that integrates cognitive approaches for changing behavior by restructuring offender's thinking, antisocial attitudes, values, or beliefs. This program teaches social skills, effective problem solving, and the ability to consider consequences. This program is designed to help offenders develop appropriate interpersonal skills. **Thinking for a Change** runs for 21 weeks and two nights per week.

Target Population:

• Juveniles age 12 and above

Program Collaborators:

Putnam County Community Corrections

Program for Change

Contact:

Stacy Miley, Probation Officer **E-mail:** smiley_wccourt@hotmail.com

Program for Change is a one-day education and assessment tool designed to assist in the reduction of recidivism for juvenile offenders. The program is for juveniles needing more than a "warn and release" contact with the probation department, but where a petition alleging delinquency is not warranted.

Referrals come from probation departments and school counselors. The program addresses in both individual and group exercises, how to change behavior, improve self-image, deal more effectively with peer pressure, increase awareness of the dangers of substance abuse and assume responsibility for behaviors.

The program helps the juvenile recognize warning signs that are often overlooked and make intelligent and appropriate choices. Class size ranges from 8-12 members. At least one parent must be present for the afternoon session where the adolescent and the adult complete a Contract for Change together. Participation in verbal and written exercises and participation with others is required.

Target Population:

- Youth ages 12 17
- First and second time offenders
- Non-status offenders
- Adjudicated and non-adjudicated youth
- Informal Adjustments

Program Collaborators:

- Joint program with Benton County
- Dave Hullinger

There is a \$65.00 fee to participate. Out-of-county referrals welcome.

Education – Out-of-School Suspension

School Suspension Program

Phone: (812) 338-3033 Fax: (812) 338-3196

Contact:

James Grizzel **Probation Officer**

The School Suspension Program is for juveniles who are serving an out-ofschool suspension between one (1) to five (5) days in duration. An in-home case worker is assigned to the home during that time. The purpose is for the juvenile not to be at home unsupervised during their suspension. The students are required to perform community service hours at public and private not-for-profit organizations.

Target Population:

- Juveniles serving an out-of-school suspension Grades $7^{th} 12^{th}$
- Both status and non-status offenders

Program Collaborators:

Hoosier Hills PACT

There is a \$5.00 participation fee.

Project Extended Day

Contact:

Kathleen Lang, Probate Commissioner

E-mail: klang@laporecounty.org

Project Extended Day (ED) is an alternative to out-of-school suspension. Children have an extended school day where they are supervised by ED staff. Staff monitors school assignments and daily behavior. Children receive behavior modification training and participate in community service. Counseling services are required for the student and their parents. Transportation is provided to some area schools.

Children having repeat discipline incidents, including truancy are court-ordered to attend. Academics, behavior modification instruction and family counseling is required.

Program Objectives:

- Reintegration into the middle school and high schools
- Preparation for graduation
- Academic and behavioral success

Target Population:

- Grades 6 12
- Children with excessive infractions, missed detentions, truancies, social and behavioral issues

Program Collaborators:

• LaPorte Community School Corporation

Generating Responsibility through an Alternative Suspension Program (GRASP)

Contact:

Renee Marsteller,
Chief Juvenile Probation Officer
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GRASP is offered through Putnam County Community Corrections for children that have been suspended from school for a chargeable offense. This is a voluntary program offered to juveniles and parents in lieu of prosecution. If a child completes the **GRASP** program, no charges are filed. If they do not complete the program they may not return to school and information is submitted to the prosecutor for the possibility of charges of truancy being filed.

SUMMER GRASP is a summer program offered through Putnam County Community Corrections. The program is a court ordered program for juveniles through the Putnam County Juvenile Probation Department. This program runs in two sessions, which are two weeks long and are from 8:30 – 3:30 each day. The participants are provided with routine structure, which includes anger management, life skills, and community service.

Target Population:

• Juveniles grade 5th to 12th

Program Collaborators:

All county schools

Out of county referrals are welcome.

Day Reporting Program

Contact:

Dallas Duggan,
Chief Probation Officer
E-mail: wcpd@comteck.com

The Day Reporting Program is a program designed for students who have been given an out-of-school suspension. Juveniles are required to spend the school day from 8:00 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. at the **Day Reporting Program**. Students work on social skill packets and are allowed to complete homework assignments at night. Students complete two hours of community service every day on the second and subsequent days in the program.

Target Population:

- Grades 7th -12th
- Students experiencing difficulties in school resulting in Out-of-school suspension

- Local public schools
- Youth Services Bureau

Out-Of-School Suspension Program

Contact:

Terry Corso, Chief Probation Officer **E-mail:** tjc_wcpd@hotmail.com

The *Out-Of-School Suspension Program* is for students who have been given an out-of-school suspension. They are referred to the Probation Department and the Court orders them to be temporarily detained for those days at the National Guard Armory. The school provides all homework and students are assessed \$15.00 per day for their stay. Parents are required to provide transportation to and from the Armory.

Target Population:

• Ages 12 - 17

- White County Community Corrections
- Frontier, Tri-County, North White, and Twin Lakes Schools

Education – **Prevention**

Teen Court, Judge for a Day, Judge Jerry's Art Kids

Contact:

Jerry Lemmons, Judge **E-mail:** clarksup1prob@aol.com

Teen Court is a diversion program for first time offenders of non-violent minor offenses. Offenders are offered the opportunity to appear before a "jury of their peers" and have them determine disposition. As an educational component of **Teen Court**, high school seniors are offered a first-hand look at the legal system when they volunteer to serve as jurors.

A second tier of experiential education occurs at the middle school level when students tour the Clark County Juvenile Detention Center. They are then asked to prepare an essay about their experience as they participate in *Judge for a Day*. Students have the opportunity to sit as *Judge for a Day* and oversee a Teen Court proceeding. Finally, elementary students reflect on their experience through the medium of art and are named one of *Judge Jerry's Art Kids* after a day at the courthouse.

Program Objectives:

- Teach youth about the daily experiences in the legal system
- Give youth a first hand opportunity to experience the legal system in a positive and educational manner

Target Population:

- Teen Court Defendants Youth between the ages of 12 and 17
- Teen Court Defendants Youth first-time offenders
- Teen Court Defendants Attendance by parent or guardian is required
- Teen Court Participants High School Seniors
- Judge for a Day Middle School Students
- Judge Jerry's Art Kids Elementary School Students

Community Awareness

Contact:

Alternative Programs Department
Marion Superior Court,
Juvenile Division

Community Awareness is a preventative program designed for youth who are experiencing behavioral problems, but are not yet involved in the court system. The program informs youth and their parents about why youth may be detained, what happens when a child is detained, what the daily schedule and probation period would be like in the Juvenile Detention Center.

After explaining the Juvenile Justice System to the parents and youth, "A Day in the Life" video is presented. This video portrays what a stay would be like in the Marion County Juvenile Detention Center from 5:30 to 8:30 pm.

After the video presentation, the juveniles get an up close look at the required attire. Learning that they *cannot* wear their own clothes is a powerful deterrent. In an effort to reach out to the community schools and agencies, the *Community Awareness* program is facilitated off site at various IPS schools and clubs.

Eligibility Requirements:

Youth of any age

- Indianapolis Public Schools
- Wayne Township Community School Corporation
- 100% Hoops
- Various Boy Scout troops

Project LIFE

Contact:

Alternative Programs Department
Marion Superior Court,
Juvenile Division

Project LIFE is a 12-hour program that is conducted over a three-day period. It is designed to educate youth and their parents on the severity of violence and its impact—not only for the victim, but also to all parties involved and the community at large. The program begins at the Court with a segment in which the youth are confronted about their offense. This is followed by a question/answer game concerning violence and concludes with a guest speaker who addresses the issues surrounding youth violence.

The second day occurs at Methodist Hospital. It consists of injury simulations, a tour of the Pediatric Intensive Care Unit and the morgue. It also includes a speaker from the Coroner's Office.

Day three concludes the program at the Marion County Health Department. Here the youth learn about conflict mediation, anger management and proper ways to communicate. The program is measured through pre- and post-tests, daily evaluations and concludes with a family life contract and certificate upon completion.

- Clarian Health Partners
- Marion County Coroner's Office
- Indiana Partnership to Prevent Firearm Violence
- Indianapolis Department
- Marion County Health Department
- Indianapolis Neurosurgical Group

From the Horse's Mouth

Contact:

Renee Marsteller,
Chief Juvenile Probation Officer
E-mail: pccmarsteller@airhop.com

From the Horse's Mouth is a program offered through the Indiana State Police and the Putnamville State Farm. From the Horse's Mouth is a way of letting youth hear the truth about incarceration from current inmates. The hope is to instill the reality and consequences of crime in juveniles early. This program is designed to help juveniles make better choices. Every juvenile that is placed on formal or informal probation is ordered to attend this program.

The inmates speak with the juveniles about the decisions they have made and how they ended up in prison. Inmates tell the juveniles about how life is in prison. The Indiana State Police's goal is to discourage our youth of today from making bad choices with drugs, alcohol, gang involvement, violence, and to encourage education. There is no fee for this program.

Target Population:

Juveniles age 9 − 21

Program Collaborators:

• Indiana State Police

Home Team Advantage

Contact:

Renee Marsteller,
Chief Juvenile Probation Officer
E-mail: pccmarsteller@airhop.com

Home Team Advantage is an in-home solution for at-risk kids. Home Team Advantage offers intensive home based services including therapy services, independent living skills training, family foundations (parent education), parent assessment, substance abuse screening inventory, mentoring program, sex education classes, and the Baby Think It Over program. Home Team Advantage is designed to keep kids placed in the home instead of out-of-home placement.

Target Population:

Any age

Program Collaborators:

• Home Team Advantage

Out of county referrals are welcome.

Education – Truancy

Attendance/Truancy Programs

Phone: (765) 456-2222 Fax: (765) 456-2266

Contact:

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Chief Probation Officer

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The *Attendance and Truancy Program* focuses on identifying truant juveniles. The probation department provides personnel to help school administrators respond to youth and their needs by offering services that address the underlying issues the child may be facing which results in their truancy.

Target Population:

School age youth exhibiting truant behaviors

Program Collaborators:

Howard County School Corporations

You Can

Contact:

Diane Weiss-Bradley Chief Probation Officer

The **You Can Program** is for those children experiencing truant or underachieving behavior in middle school and high school. Students participate in interactive camp-style programming. Activities are educational, therapeutic and intraspective in nature.

Target Population:

- Juveniles with truant behaviors
- Grades $6^{th} 9^{th}$
- Under-achieving behaviors in local high schools

- Calumet College
- Hammond Truancy Task Force

Project Attend

Phone: (219) 326-6808 ext. 512 Fax: (219) 324-0147

Contact:

Kathleen Lang, Probate Commissioner

E-mail: klang@laporecounty.org

Project Attend is an educational program designed to assist schools in the reduction of truancy at the elementary and middle school level. Schools identify families with excessive attendance problems. The family works with local agencies to develop a written contract designed to reduce unexcused absences. Parental involvement is required and the family understands that they me be criminally liable if truancy continues.

Program Objectives:

- Education of families and children about the importance of school attendance
- Communication and collaboration between family, school officials, and community agencies
- Increase in student attendance

Target Population:

• Grades K − 5

- LaPorte County Office of Family & Children
- All LaPorte County school corporations
- Juvenile Probation
- County Attendance Officers
- LaPorte County Prosecutor

Accountability Catches Truant Students (ACTS)

Contact:

Jeffery Faudree, Intake Officer

ACTS is designed to address truancy. It is an alternative to a formal court proceeding. The program generally lasts less than two months. ACTS focuses on the student but also involves the parent. It is the responsibility of the parent for the child to regard school policy as well as Indiana Law.

Phase I requires both parent and child attend. They are educated on the policies and the law regarding compulsory school attendance. In the afternoon, the parent and child complete a work project. The second phase is designed to enhance communication skills between parent and child. The activities are facilitated at Indiana University Bradford Woods. During Phase III, the parent and child work together to prepare and present two truancy prevention statements. The first statement will target the public or the school. The second statement entitled, "ACTS Change Statement" will target Attendance Officers and the court system. It must describe what changes the participants, parent and student, are making to prevent truancy from occurring in their family. These statements must be presented to the Juvenile Intake Officer before the child is released from the program.

Target Population:

- Ages 12 16
- Juvenile offender's with truancy issues
- Parents or guardians participation required

Program Collaborators:

There is a \$100 fee per family.

Project ATTEND

Contact:

Amy Beier,

Chief Juvenile Probation Officer

E-mail: akbeier@porterco.org

Web Address: http://www.porterco.org/

Project ATTEND (Aiming Toward Truancy Elimination and Non-Attendance **Decrease**) is a truancy diversion program which provides intensive in school, and at times, in-home supervision of identified students. Probation Officers specializing in truancy and family matters provide monitoring of students.

Target Population:

- Students up to age 16
- Students identified with truancy problems

- All local school districts
- Office of Family and Children
- Porter County Prosecutor's Office

Truancy Program

Contact:

Renee Marsteller,
Chief Juvenile Probation Officer
E-mail: pccmarsteller@airhop.com

Putnam County Juvenile Probation handles all truancy in Putnam County. The assistant principals of the local school corporations fill out a referral form and forwards it to the Juvenile Probation Department. At that time an Initial Inquiry is set with a probation officer, allowing them to gather information regarding the incident.

Target Population:

Any age juvenile

Partners in Academic and Social Success (PASS)

Contact:

St. Joseph County
Juvenile Justice Center

Web Address: http://users.michiana.org/probate/

PASS is a cooperative effort between the St. Joseph County Probation Department and Madison Center for Children. It is designed for adolescents with chronic truancy problems. In the **PASS** program, these adolescents can get their education and other areas of their life "back on track" while living in a structured environment and participating in individual, group and family therapy.

Program Objectives:

- Improve educational outcomes
- Reduce or prevent further delinquency
- Improve mental health and family functioning

Target Population:

- Juveniles with serious behavioral or attendance problems
- Related problems (i.e. substance use, emotional problems, etc.)

- South Bend Community School Corporation
- Madison Center

Education – Other

Tutoring

Contact:

David Woodward, Supervisor Juvenile Probation

E-mail: david@bartholomewco.com

The *Tutoring Program* is conducted in conjunction with local school systems in Barthelomew County. Children meet at the local alternative school two evenings a week where they are tutored by licensed teachers. A Probation Officer is present during the sessions. Along with their regular school assignments, students are taught organizational skills and learn to keep a calendar of assignments.

Program Collaborators:

Local school systems

Target Population:

- Juveniles exhibiting behavior problems
- Juveniles struggling academically
- Juveniles scoring moderate risk

Intensive Day Treatment

Contact:

William Hiatt, Chief Probation Officer **E-mail:** t.morrison@starband.net

Intensive Day Treatment is a seven day a week program where juveniles attend life skills training, "Thinking for a Change" substance abuse education, and complete community service. Juveniles also participate in team sports.

Target Population:

- Delinquent youth
- Runaways
- Truancies
- Substance users

Program Collaborators:

Four County Counseling Center

School Probation Officer

Contact:

Jason McManus or Kim Christman,
Probation Officers
Phone: (317) 776-9672

A School Probation Officer is a probation officer who supervises the juveniles on probation at their school. The officer works in conjunction with the school administration.

Target Population:

• Juvenile offenders on probation

- Noblesville High School
- Hamilton Southeastern High School

Rising Stars

Contact:

Diane Weiss-Bradley Chief Probation Officer

The *Rising Stars Program* is designed to educate detained juveniles in the development of short and long term goals. Juveniles learn to identify the triggers that have gotten them involved in the juvenile justice system. Juveniles learn additional details about how the court system works, ways to avoid similar problems in the future and ways to increase their problem-solving skills.

Target Population:

Juveniles detained at the Lake County Juvenile Justice complex

HOME DETENTION

Home Detention – Electronic

Electronic Home Detention

Contact:

Adams County Juvenile Alternatives
Ian Gilbert
Phone: (260) 724-5331

Juveniles are court-ordered to participate in *Electronic Home Detention* as a condition of probation. Juveniles are allowed to attend school, work, religious services and other approved activities. Any special activities must be approved by the community supervisor overseeing his/her case.

Admission to the Home Detention Program means the juvenile consents to periodic blood, breath, urine, or chemical testing if requested by a Probation Officer to determine alcohol and/or drug use. The juvenile on *Electronic Home Detention* must pay any costs incurred as a result of testing. Refusal to cooperate will result in the person on *Electronic Home Detention* being returned to the Adams County Jail and/or Department of Corrections to serve the balance of his/her sentence.

Target Population:

• Adjudicated juveniles under the age of 18

Electronic Monitoring

Contact:

David Woodward, Supervisor Juvenile Probation

E-mail: david@bartholomewco.com

Juveniles are court-ordered on *Eletronic Monitoring*. They wear an ankle bracelet for monitoring purposes. Juveniles are allowed to attend school, work, religious services and other approved activities. Special activities must be approved by the community supervisor overseeing his/her case.

Electronic Monitoring is used for juvenile offenders who are returning from out-of-home placement or the Detention Center. Frequent home visits, drug testing and school visits are conducted by the Community Supervisor.

Program Collaborators:

Department of Corrections

Target Population:

- Juvenile offenders over the age of 18
- Juveniles on parole

Contact:

William Hiatt, Chief Probation Officer

Juveniles are court-ordered on *Eletronic Monitoring*. They wear an ankle bracelet for monitoring purposes. Juveniles have daily contact with their In-Home Officer and are allowed to attend school, work, religious services and other approved activities. Special activities must be approved by the community supervisor overseeing his/her case. *Electronic Monitoring* is used for juvenile offenders who need to be more closely monitored or as an effort to reduce out-of-home placements.

Target Population:

- Juveniles adjudicated delinquent
- Juveniles of any age

Program Collaborator:

Cass/Pulaski Community Corrections

Contact:

Don Travis, Chief Juvenile Probation Officer

E-mail: don travis@co.howard.in.us
Address: http://co.howard.in.us/juv/

Howard County Community Corrections – Adult Program provides the *Electronic Monitoring* equipment for juveniles on In-Home Detention. The Juvenile Probation Department has full access to the database in order to monitor the juvenile while they are on house arrest. Juveniles are allowed to attend school, work, religious services and other approved activities.

Target Population:

Youth placed on electronic monitoring

Program Collaborators:

- Howard County Community Corrections Adult Programs
- Local community businesses

Contact:

Community Corrections

Electronic Monitoring is monitored supervision of juvenile offenders that is court ordered. The juvenile is allowed to leave the residence for school, work, church and court ordered programming. They are subject to home, school or work visits by a field officer. Out of county transfers accepted if offender is a resident of Johnson County.

Target Population:

- Males and female juvenile offenders
- Up to age 18
- Pre and Post adjudications

There is a \$6/day fee.

Home Detention

Phone: (260) 499-6365 Fax: (260) 463-6369

> **Contact:** Ken Marrs **Superior Court Probation**

While under *Home Detention*, juveniles are under the supervision of the Circuit They wear an ankle bracelet for monitoring purposes. Juveniles are allowed to attend school, work, religious services and other approved activities. Any special activities must be approved by the community supervisor overseeing his/her case.

Program Collaborators:

Circuit Court Probation

Phone: (219) 324-5130 ext. 227, 228, or 229

Contact:

Karen Forbes, Community Supervisor Juvenile Service Center

Juveniles are court-ordered on *Eletronic Monitoring*. They wear an ankle bracelet for monitoring purposes. Juveniles are allowed to attend school, work, religious services and other approved activities. Any special activities must be approved by the community supervisor overseeing his/her case.

Juveniles are under the supervision of the LaPorte County Juvenile Services Center. While under house arrest, the juvenile is required to participate in the Community Enrichment Program which provides community enrichment outings.

Target Population:

• Juvenile offenders over the age of 18

Contact:

Lisa Brittain, Juvenile Probation Officer

E-mail: mcprbn@rtccom.net

Juveniles are court-ordered on *Eletronic Monitoring*. They wear an ankle bracelet for monitoring purposes. Juveniles are allowed to attend school, work, religious services and other approved activities. Any special activities must be approved by the community supervisor overseeing his/her case. Juveniles are under the supervision of the Martin County Community Corrections.

Electronic Home Detention

Contact:

Angelique Watkins, Chief Probation Officer

Email: angelique.w@newtoncounty-in.us

Juveniles are court-ordered on *Electronic Home Detention*. Juveniles are allowed to attend school, work, religious services and other approved activities. Any special activities must be approved by the community supervisor overseeing his/her case.

Admission to the Home Detention Program implies consent to submit to a blood, breath, urine, or chemical test if requested by a Probation Officer to determine alcohol and/or drug use. The person on Home Detention shall pay any costs incurred as a result of testing. Refusal of immediate cooperation will result in the person on Home Detention being returned and/or sent the Department of Correction to serve the balance of their sentence.

Program Collaborators:

BI Monitoring

Program fees apply, but vary.

Contact:

Deborah Widup, Chief Probation Officer

E-mail: pcprob@sugardog.com

Juveniles are court-ordered on *Eletronic Monitoring*. They wear an ankle bracelet for monitoring purposes. Juveniles have frequent contact with their Community Corrections Officer and are allowed to attend school, work, religious services and other approved activities. Special activities must be approved by the community supervisor overseeing his/her case. *Electronic Monitoring* is used for juvenile offenders who need to be more closely monitored or as an effort to reduce out-of-home placements.

Target Population:

- Juveniles adjudicated delinquent
- Juveniles of any age

Program Collaborator:

Cass/Pulaski Community Corrections

Electronic Home Monitoring

Contact:

Renee Marsteller,
Chief Juvenile Probation Officer
E-mail: pccmarsteller@airhop.com

Juveniles are placed on *Electronic Home Monitoring* through Putnam County Community Correction as a way to reduce out-of-home placements.

Target Population:

• Juveniles fourteen years and above

Program Collaborators:

Putnam County Community Corrections

Home Detention

Contact:

Shannon Schmaltz, Chief Probation Officer, Circuit & Superior Courts

E-mail: schmaltz@ripleycounty.com

Juveniles are placed on *Home Detention* as a separate disposition at the Dispositional Hearing or as a "Step Down" program from secure detention back to the community. Juveniles meet with their probation officers on a weekly basis at their homes. The program is court ordered. Out of county referrals accepted.

Program Collaborators:

• CDA Electronic Monitoring

Home Detention

Phone: (574) 235-KIDS **Fax:** (574) 235-5382

Contact:

St. Joseph County Juvenile Justice Center

Web Address: http://users.michiana.org/probate/

Juveniles are court-ordered on *Home Detention*. Juveniles are allowed to attend school, work, religious services and other approved activities. Any special activities must be approved by the community supervisor overseeing his/her case.

Juveniles are under the supervision of the St. Joseph County Juvenile Services Center. While under home detention, the juvenile is required to participate in the Community Enrichment Program which provides community enrichment outings.

Target Population:

- Adjudicated juvenile offenders
- Parents/guardians must take active role in the process.

Program fees apply.

Electronic Home Detention

Contact:

Hon. Brett Niemeier, Judge Vanderburgh Superior Court

Juveniles are court-ordered on *Electronic Home Detention*. Juveniles are allowed to attend school, work, religious services and other approved activities. Any special activities must be approved by the Home Detention staff overseeing his/her case. The Home Detention staff will make checks to insure compliance. Staff will respond immediately to any violation indicated by the computer. Juveniles are expected to pay fees for various sevices this component offers.

Target Population:

- Non-violent offenders
- Probationers

Program Collaborators:

• Sheriff's Department

Program fees - \$4/day.

Home Detention

Phone: (812) 462-3381 **Fax:** (812) 466-9078

Contact:

Juvenile Alternatives
Dennis Keder,
Juvenile Program Manager

Home Detention is for children determined to be an immediate threat to the community unless they are accounted for 24-hour a day. These are serious offenders, who would otherwise require secure detention/commitment. All participants must reside in Vigo County with their custodial parent or lawful guardian. Anyone with a history or present offense that indicates a threat of any violent or sex offense is not an appropriate candidate for **Home Detention**.

Once placed into the program the client and parent(s) will meet with the Program Manager to discuss the needs of the child and program rules. Evaluations and drug screenings will also be given. The juvenile and his/her parent will be required to present the juvenile's weekly schedule and have it approved by staff.

The *Home Detention* staff will make home checks, work checks and school checks to insure compliance. Staff will respond immediately to any violation indicated by the computer. Clients will be expected to pay fees for various services this component offers.

Target Population:

- Serious offenders
- Parental involvement required

Program Collaborators:

- Juvenile Justice Center
- Covered Bridge
- Hamilton Center
- Community Corrections

Electronic Home Detention

Contact:

Dallas Duggan,
Chief Probation Officer
E-mail: wcpd@comteck.com

Electronic Home Detention uses the Global Positioning Satellite system to monitor youth instead of the traditional tracking system. *Electronic Home Detention* is used in lieu of detention, as an additional sanction, or as a term of probation.

Target Population:

• All juvenile offenders

There is a fee of \$8/day.

Home Detention – Non-Electronic

In-Home Detention

Contact:

Karen Gower

In-Home Detention Department Head **Ph:** (219) 660-6930 or (219) 881-6341

Juveniles are court-ordered on *In-Home Detention*. Juveniles are allowed to attend school, work, religious services and other approved activities. Any special activities must be approved by the community supervisor overseeing his/her case. Random calls, home visits and school visits are made by the In-Home Detention worker. There are two levels with different restrictions placed on the juveniles. The worker will report any status change to the court. They will notify the Court when the child has six or more violations.

Target Population:

Any juvenile being considered for home detention in the community versus the Lake County Juvenile Center.

Home Detention

Phone: (219) 324-5130 ext. 227, 228, or 229

Contact:

Cary Mosher,
Community Supervisor
Juvenile Service Center

Juveniles are court-ordered on *Home Detention*. Juveniles are allowed to attend school, work, religious services and other approved activities. Any special activities must be approved by the community supervisor overseeing his/her case.

Juveniles are under the supervision of the LaPorte County Juvenile Services Center. While in *Home Detention*, the juvenile is required to participate in the Community Enrichment Program which provides community enrichment outings.

Target Population:

• Juvenile offenders over the age of 18

Home Detention

Contact:

Amy Beier,

Chief Juvenile Probation Officer

E-mail: akbeier@porterco.org

Web Address: http://www.porterco.org/

Home Detention is intensive supervision of high-risk delinquents in their homes. Monitoring is set after regular office hours (i.e. evenings, weekends, etc.). Juveniles are placed on Home Detention by the order of the Juvenile Court.

Target Population:

Delinquents identified as high risk offenders

Telephonic House Arrest

Phone: (812) 435-5125 **Fax:** (812) 435-5043

Contact:

Hon. Brett Niemeier, Judge Vanderburgh Superior Court

Juveniles are court-ordered on *Telephonic House Arrest*. Some probationers are put on *Telephonic House Arrest* for differing hours of the day such as during school hours, if they have been suspended or expelled. A court official calls several times during this time period to insure compliance. The person on *Telephonic House Arrest* shall pay any costs incurred as a result of being on this program.

Target Population:

- Non-violent offenders
- Probationers

Program Collaborators:

• Youth Services Bureau

Program fees - \$2/day.

INTENSIVE PROBATION SUPERVISION

Intensive Probation Supervision

Contact:

Cathy Judd, Juvenile Probation Officer **E-mail:** cjudd@claycounty.in.gov

Clay County Intensive Probation Supervision provides intensive supervision for high risk juveniles on probation. Weekly contact with school personnel, parents counselors and employers is provided in an attempt to reduce reoffending behaviors.

Target Population:

- High risk juvenile offenders
- At risk youth
- Probationers

Funding Source:

Juvenile Accountability block grant

Intensive Probation Supervision

Contact:

Tisha Linzy, Probation Officer Intensive Probation Program Coordinator

This program provides wraparound services for probationers needing more intense services such as individual, family and group therapy, substance abuse treatment and weekly drug testing, home-based counseling, weekly review hearings, etc. All services are at the discretion of the Juvenile Court Judge and the Probation Department.

Target Population:

- At risk youth
- Probationers with special circumstances

Program Collaborators:

- Life Works Counseling
- White's Home-Based Services

Juvenile Reparation Program

Contact:

Center for Community Justice

Elkhart:

121 S. 3rd Street Elkhart, IN 46516 **Ph:** (574) 295-6149

Goshen:

111 E. Washington St. Goshen, IN 46526 **Ph:** (574) 533-2501

The *Juvenile Reparation Program* is designed to impact "tough kids." Juveniles who may have previously failed in the system and risk continuing their negative behavior into adulthood, is the target population for this program.

Target Population:

- Juveniles delinquents
- Ages 13 18
- Repeat offenders

Referral required.

Night Court

Contact:

Julie Johnson

E-mail: julie.johnson.co.greene.in.us

Night Court is a program where juveniles meet with the Program Administrator on Mondays and Wednesdays. Juveniles, parents, the Probation Officer and Program Administrator meet with the judge in court on the second Wednesdays of each month. As juveniles progress successfully through the program, they are required to meet less. Juveniles must meet the program standards in order to advance to the next level (i.e. no violations, good grades, good behavior.)

Target Population:

- First-time offenders
- Probation violators

Program Collaborators:

- Local police departments
- Local school systems
- Local counseling agencies

Transition and Placement Prevention (TAPP)

Contact:

Mickey White, TAPP Coordinator **E-mail:** mjw@co.hamilton.in.us

TAPP is an intensive, short-term approach designed to meet the needs of "at risk" juvenile offenders. The program provides intensive supervision coupled with case management services. The program was developed to address the increasing numbers of juveniles being placed outside the home.

Target Population:

- Juvenile offenders returning to the community after a residential placement
- Juvenile offenders who have exhausted all services available in the community
- Juveniles who are at serious risk of being placed outside the home

Program Characteristics:

- Daily contact
- Cost-effective placement alternative
- Individualized case plan
- Increased communication between agencies
- Home-Based services
- Family-oriented services
- Minimal caseload

Program Goals:

- To preserve the family unit
- To deter future delinquent and/or criminal activity
- To close the gap in the continuum of services offered to juvenile offenders
- To reduce the number of placements outside the home

Intensive Probation

Contact:

Don Travis, Chief Juvenile Probation Officer **E-mail:** don_travis@co.howard.in.us

Address: http://www.co.howard.in.us/juv

Intensive Probation is for those youth and families who need coercive intervention of the Court. A plan of care, treatment, rehabilitation or placement will be facilitated for the child to restore them to the community.

Considerations to be made when making a recommendation to the court for a program of Intensive Probation include age of the youth, prior sibling contact with the Office of Juvenile Services, the youth's prior contact with the Office of Juvenile Services, history of and seriousness of delinquency, strength of family, peers, emotional stability, history of abuse/neglect, behavior at school, at home and in the commuity.

The program consists of more frequent contacts with the youth per week, at least one contact with the parent per week and at least one collateral contact (school, mental health, etc.) per week. The term and length of Intensive Probation is determined by the Court with periodic review hearings being held to determine termination of the program.

Operation Reduce Recidivism

Contact:

Don Travis, Chief Juvenile Probation Officer **E-mail:** don travis@co.howard.in.us

Address: http://www.co.howard.in.us/juv

The Operation to Reduce Recidivism (ORR) is designed to meet the needs of each offender that has committed in excess of six (6) offenses and has needs on the area of supervision and organized activities. The identification of the needs is based upon the completion of an intensive risk/needs assessment by the juvenile probation department.

Youth selected for the program will have shown a pattern of delinquency throughout the commission of delinquent offenses and be at-risk to the community for further acts of delinquency. By Court Order, youths will participate in the program at a level or point deemed appropriate by the Court. Youth may participate in this program at any point in the Court process, from the Detention Hearing up to and including the Dispositional Hearing.

The program is designed to reduce recidivism for chronic or serious violent juveniles. In its development, consistent with the current program offered by the Court, the program is to meet the needs of those children who are beyond at-risk (SAFEPOLICY) but have yet to meet the criteria for SHOCAP. This program may also be used as an alternative to Secure Detention for Dispositions on Modification if the youth meets the criteria outlined.

Target Population:

Youth with a high risk to re-offend

Program Collaborators:

Indiana Criminal Justice Institute

Daily Check-In

Contact:

Suzanne Miller, Chief Juvenile Probation Officer

Daily Check-In allows the juvenile offender to report daily to Community Corrections for accountability checks. The juvenile will be given a portable breathalyzer test, and is also subject to random urine drug screens, random school attendance or GED class checks, and/or to maintain employment.

Target Population:

- Male and Female juvenile offenders
- Medium to high risk
- Ages 12 17

There is a \$3 fee per day.

Intensive Probation

Contact:

Terrance Czapla,
Director of Intensive Probation

Intensive Probation is intended for juveniles who because of their offenses, might be otherwise committed to the Department of Correction. This program is designed as a response to those juveniles who require the most intensive and restrictive supervision the Court has at its disposal. The program includes homebased services and provides for 24-hour, 7 days a week surveillance.

Target Population:

- Juveniles who have been identified as "unworkable" under traditional supervision standards
- Juveniles who pose a threat to the community

Program Collaborators:

Lake County Community Corrections

Operation Nightlight

Contact:

Diane Weiss-Bradley Chief Probation Officer

Operation Nightlight is a nighttime surveillance team that pairs probation officers with police officers for the purpose of visiting juveniles on probation during the evening hours. This program is modeled after the Boston Nightlight Program.

Target Population:

• Juveniles on probation

Program Collaborators:

Lake County Police Departments

Intensive Case Management

Contact:

Lyn Swanson,

Chief Juvenile Probation Officer

E-mail: lswanson@lapoercounty.org

Juvenile Intensive Case Management is a combination of intensive supervision and case management for the juvenile in need. Individual and family therapy is available through LaPorte County OFC when necessary. Intensive case management is provided in the home for multi-problem and/or severly dysfunctional families.

Program Objectives:

- 24 hour crisis intervention
- Risk assessment
- Monitoring
- Case management
- Counseling

Target Population:

- Juvenile delinquents
- CHINS cases
- Juveniles any age

Program Collaborators:

- LaPorte County OFC
- Swanson Center
- Dockside Services

Family Preservation Program (FPP)

Contact:

Christine McAfee or Brier Frasier
Monroe County Probation Department

The Family Preservation Program is a home-based probation service provided by Monroe County Probation Department to help prevent Out-Of-Home placements for juvenile delinquents and their siblings or to help transition juveniles back to their homes after an Out-Of-Home placement has occurred.

Program Features:

- Thorough family assessment
- Complete family case-plan with identified goals and timelines
- Intensive home-based support
- Intensive collateral involvement
- Access to traditional and non-traditional services
- 24 hour/7 day per week access to Probation Officer
- Transition services for youth/family/community

Program Objectives:

- Reduction in the need of out-of-home placements
- Increase in effective parenting skills
- Reduction of specific risk factors associated with continued delinquency
- Focus of service accessibility to siblings
- Increasing successful reunification of youth to family/community following placement.

Target Population:

- Referral through Monroe County Probation Department
- Juvenile 18 years or younger
- No imminent risk to physical, mental, emotional health identified
- Minimum risk for recidivism

Intensive Probation Supervision

Contact:

Stacey Beam,
Chief Probation Officer
E-mail: sbeam@nobleco.org

Intensive Probation Supervision is used as a term of probation or as part of a suspended IBS/IGS commitment. It provides intensive supervision for "high risk" juveniles on probation. Weekly contact with school personnel, parents, counselors and employers is provided in an attempt to reduce reoffending behaviors.

Target Population:

• At risk or high risk juvenile offenders

Program Collaborators:

• Local law enforcement agencies

Intensive Probation Supervision

Contact:

Tisha Linzy, Probation Officer Intensive Probation Program Coordinator

This program provides wraparound services for probationers needing more intense services such as individual, family and group therapy, substance abuse treatment and weekly drug testing, home-based counseling, weekly review hearings, etc. All services are at the discretion of the Judge and the Probation Department.

Target Population:

- At risk youth
- Probationers with special circumstances

Program Collaborators:

- Life Works Counseling
- White's Home-based Services

Alternative Weekend Detention Program

Contact:

Ken Perkins,

Director of Juvenile Detention **E-mail:** kperkins@porterco.org

Web Address: http://www.porterco.org/

The Alternative Weekend Detention Program is a program developed by the Family & Youth Services Bureau. It is an alternative for juveniles sentenced by the Juvenile Court to serving weekends in the Porter County Juvenile Detention Center. The program includes a wide variety of activities intended to provide a more educational and meaningful experience than incarceration in the Juvenile Detention Center. Activities include community service work, school work, educational lessons, art and crafts, recreation, church and youth group activities, and field trips. Transportation must be provided by parents or guardians.

Target Population:

- Juveniles otherwise sentenced to serve weekends in Juvenile Detention.
- Probation Violators
- Juveniles who are not a danger to themselves or others.

Program Collaborators:

• Family & Youth Services Bureau

Chronic Offender Response Team (CORT)

Contact:

Amy Beier,

Chief Juvenile Probation Officer

E-mail: akbeier@porterco.org

Web Address: http://www.porterco.org/

Chronic Offender Response Team (CORT) is a program where staff monitors high-risk juveniles. Contacts are made in the home outside of regular office hours (i.e. weekends, evenings, etc.) Monthly meetings are held with program stakeholders to staff cases and identify further services as necessary.

Target Population:

Delinquents identified as high risk offenders.

Program Collaborators:

- Family & Youth Services Bureau
- Local law enforcement
- Local school districts
- Porter Starke Services (Mental Health)

Project PASS (Probation And School = Success)

Contact:

Amy Beier,

Chief Juvenile Probation Officer

E-mail: akbeier@porterco.org

Web Address: http://www.porterco.org/

Project PASS is the daily supervision of students on probation in their school. Specialized probation staff assists school personnel in identifying at risk students and aids in linking these students with appropriate services.

Target Population:

- Middle school students
- Probationers
- Students who have been identified as high risk

Program Collaborators:

• Portage Township Schools

Risk Management Program

Contact:

Amy Beier,

Chief Juvenile Probation Officer

E-mail: akbeier@porterco.org

Web Address: http://www.porterco.org/

The Risk Management Program is a daily intensive supervision for high-risk delinquents. The program is evidence-based and focuses on a cognitive behavioral approach. The day treatment will focus on a child's functioning in society while engaging a parent's participation in the child's treatment plan. Programming also includes family counseling and evening home detention monitoring during early program phases.

Target Population:

- High-risk juveniles
- Juveniles facing commitment to the Indiana Boys/Girls School.

Program Collaborators:

Family and Youth Services Bureau

Intensive Case Management

Contact:

Deborah Widup, Chief Probation Officer

E-mail: pcprob@sugardog.com

Intensive Case Management is part of a juvenile's probationary period and is court ordered. *Intensive Case Management* occurs in the home as an attempt to reduce out-of-home placements for the juvenile. Probationers and their families are offered education in self-esteem building, behavior modification, life skills and various forms of mental health therapy including family and counseling.

Target Population:

- Probationers
- All ages

Program Collaborators:

Four County Counseling Center

Intensive Probation Supervision

Phone: (574) 235-KIDS **Fax:** (574) 235-5382

Contact:

St. Joseph County Juvenile Justice Center

Web Address: http://users.michiana.org/probate/

Intensive Probation Supervision provides services for probationers needing more intense services such as individual, family and group therapy, substance abuse treatment and weekly drug testing, home based counseling, weekly review hearings, etc.

- Probationers with special circumstances
- Parents/guardians must take active role in the in-home detention.

Intensive Supervision Program

Contact:

Dallas Duggan, Chief Probation Officer **E-mail:** wcpd@comteck.com

In *Intensive Supervision*, high risk juveniles are supervised by a Probation Officer on a daily basis. Juveniles complete ninety (90) days Electronic Home Detention, thirty (30) days House Arrest and six months probation. Juveniles complete individual and group therapy. Parents also participate in groups. In addition, families are assisted by a Case Manager.

Target Population:

- High risk juvenile offenders
- Juvenile offenders who have exhausted the continuum of services available to them, and;
- Juvenile offenders facing commitment to the Department of Corrections

Program Collaborators:

Family Service Society

Intensive Probation Supervision – Day Reporting

Day Reporting Program

Contact:

Kathleen Lang,
Probate Commissioner

E-mail: klang@laporecounty.org

The Day Reporting Program is designed for children who are on the verge of expulsion because of serious or chronic behavioral problems. The program is located at the Juvenile Services Center, but is separate from regular center activities. Transportation is provided to the Juvenile Services Center at various pick-up locations.

Children are court-ordered to attend the program. Academics continue in addition to instruction on behavior modification.

Program Objectives:

- Avoid expulsion through behavior modification
- Reintegrate student into the traditional school environment
- Academic and behavioral success

Target Population:

- Grades 6 8
- Children with excessive and chronic behavioral issues in the traditional school setting

Program Collaborators:

- LaPorte Community School Corporation
- Michigan City Area Schools
- Juvenile Services Center

Day Reporting

Phone: (574) 235-KIDS **Fax:** (574) 235-5382

Contact:

St. Joseph County
Juvenile Justice Center

Web Address: http://users.michiana.org/probate/

The *Day Reporting Program* is designed to be an intensive community based program that will focus on addressing some of the educational, social, and developmental needs that may influence the pattern of delinquency in youths. The purpose is to provide a continuum of services to improve the youth's level of functioning in all environmental domains (i.e. home, school, and community).

After school ends for the day, offenders who are released from residential care, will report after school and on weekends. Some juveniles who would benefit from this structured program may be placed in the program to avoid residential placement. The family participates in parenting groups and family counseling. Before a child returns to their home school, the child must have improved his/her behavior and attendance, completed the *Day Reporting Program* and is able to test at the appropriate grade level in reading, spelling and arithmetic.

Target Population:

- Repeat juvenile offenders
- Probationers demonstrating a need for intensive supervision
- Juveniles transitioning from out-of-home placements

There is a \$25.00/week program fee.

Day Reporting Program

Contact:

Juvenile Alternatives
Dennis Keder,
Juvenile Program Manager

The Day Reporting Program is an intensive supervision program. The participants on the program report to Vigo County Community Corrections three days a week, Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday from after school until 9:00 p.m., for a minimum of twelve weeks. After participating successfully for a period of time, it may be determined to award the participant "exempt" days where they are not required to report. Juveniles must remain in compliance with the program and can be returned to reporting all three days if they miss a scheduled day or have a violation.

The participant is subject to random breathalyzer tests and drug screens, even if they have not been convicted of an alcohol or drug offense. The participant must attend school. If for some reason they are not in school, depending on their age and level, they will be required to work toward their GED. Those participants working toward their GED will not have completed the program until they receive their GED.

If the participant becomes employed during their period in *Day Reporting*, they will be required to show weekly verification to Vigo County Community Corrections. Participants are required to attend *Day Reporting* if they are not scheduled to work on Tuesday, Wednesday, or Thursday. Participants waive their Fourth Amendment right to search and seizure. There will be periodic home and job sight checks performed.

Program Collaborators:

- Juvenile Justice Center
- Covered Bridge
- Hamilton Center

Target Population:

- Serious offenders
- Probationers

Participation fee - \$10/week.

SHOCAP

Serious Habitual Offender Community Action Program (SHOCAP)

Contact:

Tina Pfeiffer, Juvenile Probation Officer **E-mail:** tpfeiffer@elkhartcounrt.com

SHOCAP gives troubled youths with extensive legal histories the opportunity to remain in the community. **SHOCAP** provides intensive community supervision and accountability. It includes frequent probation contacts with the youth, parents and collateral agencies. Juveniles placed in this program will be eligible for services including but not limited to the following:

- Intensive supervision
- Electronic monitoring
- Intensive case management
- Counseling

Program Goals:

- Community protection from violent crime
- Ensure comprehensive, coordinated service delivery
- Ensure consistent, immediate consequences for any violations or offenses

Target Population:

• High risk juvenile offenders

This program is court ordered.

SHOCAP Tracker

Contact:

Don Travis, Chief Juvenile Probation Officer

E-mail: don_travis@co.howard.in.us

Address: http://www.co.howard.in.us/juv

The SHOCAP Tracker stands for: Serious Habitual Offender Comprehensive Action Program. The program was developed to enhance the supervision of the "worst of the worst" juvenile offenders within Howard County. The SHOCAP Tracker assists troubled youths within the community while providing a structured day reporting program. The day reporting program enhances community supervision, and accountability. Supervision includes up to two contacts daily, frequent contacts with parents and collateral agencies and the wearing of an electronic anklet to verify whereabouts.

Once the youth is determined to be SHOCAP, this status is maintained until the youth reaches the age of 18. However, the term of probation may be terminated prior to the age of 18.

Target Population:

- Delinquent youth
- CHINS cases
- Ages 11 17

Program Collaborators:

- Kokomo Police Howard
- County Sheriff
- Office of Family and Children
- Department of Corrections
- Howard County Prosecutor
- Local School Corporations

Serious Habitual Offender Community Action Program (SHOCAP)

Fax: (219) 324-0147 **Phone:** (219) 326-6808 ext. 224

Contact:

Lyn Swanson, **Juvenile Probation Officer**

E-mail: lswanson@laporecounty.org

SHOCAP is a program for juveniles who have committed a disproportionate amount of crime. One offense must involve a crime against a person, a weapons offense, or dealing in substances.

The **SHOCAP** Screening Team determines juvenile eligibility. Juveniles identified to participate in this program are placed on a list that is distributed to police agencies, schools, probation departments, and the SHOCAP Screening Team. If the juvenile commits a violation while on the program, he/she will be held accountable for their conduct throughout the system.

Program Features:

Juveniles placed in this program will be eligible for services including but not limited to the following:

- Intensive supervision
- Electronic monitoring
- Intensive case management
- Counseling

Program Goals:

- Community protection from violent crime
- Ensure comprehensive, coordinated service delivery
- Ensure consistent, immediate consequences for any violations or offenses

- Juvenile offenders ages 14 17
- High risk
- Repeat offenders

Serious Habitual Offender Comprehensive Action Plan (SHOCAP)

Contact:

Joe Ahr, SHOCAP Case Manager or Christine McAfee Monroe County Probation Supervisor

SHOCAP represents a juvenile's last opportunity to remain in the community on probation. SHOCAP is typically a one-year term of probation, with a suspended commitment to the Indiana Department of Correction. Standard terms of probation include: house arrest, a weekly schedule completed by a case manager detailing approved activities and appointments, random urine drug screens, and minimum of 35 hours weekly of approved activities (which are typically a combination of: educational, employment, counseling, community service, or court-related activities). Each client has an individualized case plan, outlining specific goals/objectives felt necessary to increase the likelihood of success, both on the program and off.

Program Objectives:

- Decrease time between action and consequence (both positive and negative)
- Increase level of supervision
- Increase contact with each juvenile
- Increase awareness of local resources

Eligibility Requirements:

Clients are referred to the SHOCAP Community Team for eligibility by the supervising probation officer assigned to the case, based on the accrual of points from a referral system which applies a specific point value for: Adjudications, Probation Violations, Secure Detention Holds, and Out-Of-Home placements. Each referral is screened individually by the SHOCAP Team to determine eligibility. Only after a client is accepted into the program is the identity of that client provided.

TEEN COURT

Phone: (812) 379-1635 **Fax:** (812) 373-2075

Contact:

David Woodward, Supervisor Juvenile Probation

E-mail: david@bartholomewco.com

Teen Court is a diversion program for first time juvenile offenders of non-violent minor offenses. Offenders are offered the opportunity to appear before a "jury of their peers" to determine disposition.

Jurors consist of volunteers and past defendants from middle, junior, or high schools. Offenders must admit their guilt and explain the circumstances of the incident to the jurors. Additionally, they must agree to comply with the disposition handed down by their peers. Disposition options may include community service, restitution, apology letters, future Teen Court jury duty and essays on a variety of topics.

Program Collaborators:

Foundation for Youth

- Low-risk offenders
- Status offenders
- Ages 12 18

Contact:

Youth Services Bureau

Web Address: http://www.elkhartysb.org/Teen%20Court.htm

Teen Court is a diversion program for first-time juvenile offenders of non-violent minor offenses. Offenders are offered the opportunity to appear before a "jury of their peers" to determine disposition. **Teen Court** provides a forum for peers to respond to negative behaviors. Jurors consist of volunteers and past defendants from middle, junior or high schools. Offenders must admit their guilt and agree to comply to the disposition handed down. Restitution, community service, and apology letters are all a part of this educational reparations model.

A minimum fee may apply.

Contact:

Randy Hankins, Probation Officer **E-mail:** RLHFCPO@K-ine.com

Teen Court is a diversion program for first time juvenile offenders of non-violent minor offenses. Offenders are offered the opportunity to appear before a "jury of their peers" to determine disposition.

Jurors consist of volunteers and past defendants from middle, junior, or high schools. Offenders must admit their guilt and explain the circumstances of the incident to the jurors. Additionally, they must agree to comply with the disposition handed down by their peers. Disposition options may include community service, restitution, apology letters, future *Teen Court* jury duty and essays on a variety of topics.

- First-time offenders
- Non-violent offenders
- Non-drug related offenses preferred
- Ages 12 16

Contact:

Reach for Youth

Phone: (317) 920-5900

E-mail: rfy@reachforyouth.org

Web Address: http://www.reachforyouth.org

Teen Court is a peer-sentencing program for juvenile offenders. Teen Court is run by youth ages 10 - 17 years of age. Youth referred for first time offenses and who admit their guilt are ordered to Teen Court instead of Juvenile Court. They must comply with the disposition their peers hand down to them. Teen volunteers serve as defense attorneys, prosecuting attorneys, bailiffs, and clerks. Law clerks mentor the youth, while practicing attorneys and sitting judges preside over the court proceedings as judges.

Target Population:

- Male and female juvenile offenders
- First-time offenders
- Ages 10 17

Program Collaborators:

Reach for Youth

There is a \$40 program fee.

Phone: (812) 885-2517 **Fax:** (812) 895-4890

Contact: Tim Crowley, Judge

Knox Superior Court #1

E-mail: judgetc@wvc.net

Teen Court is a peer-sentencing program for juvenile offenders. **Teen Court** is run by local high school students who serve as lawyers and jurors. Youth referred for first-time offenses and who admit their guilt are sentenced to **Teen Court** instead of Juvenile Court. They must comply with the disposition of their peers hand down to them. Referrals come from juvenile probations. Children and Family Services coordinates and administers the program.

Target Population:

- High school status offenders
- Less serious offenses

Program Collaborators:

Children and Family Services

There is a \$40 program fee.

Teen Court - LaPorte

Phone: (219) 879-5151 **Fax:** (219) 324-5024

Contact:

Robin McShane, Teen Court Director

E-mail: bbbs@csinet.net

Web Address: http://www.youthservicebureau.com/teencourt.htm

Teen Court is a diversion program for first time juvenile offenders of non-violent minor offenses. Offenders are offered the opportunity to appear before a "jury of their peers" to determine their disposition.

Jurors consist of volunteers and past defendants from middle, junior, or high schools in LaPorte County. Offenders must admit their guilt and explain the circumstances of the incident to the jurors. Additionally, they must agree to comply with the disposition handed down by their peers. Disposition options may include community service, restitution, apology letters, future Teen Court jury duty and essays on a variety of topics.

Program Collaborators:

- LaPorte Circuit Court
- LaPorte County Youth Services Bureau

- First-time non-violent offenders
- Ages 10 17

Teen Court – Michigan City

Phone: (219) 879-5151 **Fax:** (219) 879-5169

Contact:

Bonnie Schaaf, Teen Court Director, MC **E-mail:** ysbmcbs@adsnet.com

Web Address: http://www.youthservicebureau.com/teencourt.htm

Teen Court is a diversion program for first time juvenile offenders of non-violent minor offenses. Offenders are offered the opportunity to appear before a "jury of their peers" to determine their disposition.

Jurors consist of volunteers and past defendants from middle, junior, or high schools in LaPorte County. Offenders must admit their guilt and explain the circumstances of the incident to the jurors. Additionally, they must agree to comply with the disposition handed down by their peers. Dispositional options may include community service, restitution, apology letters, future Teen Court jury duty and essays on a variety of topics.

Program Collaborators:

- LaPorte Circuit Court
- LaPorte County Youth Services Bureau

- First-time non-violent offenders
- Ages 10 17

Contact:

Valerie Hite, Family Support Services Counselor

Teen Court is a diversion program for first time juvenile offenders of non-violent minor offenses. Offenders are offered the opportunity to appear before a "jury of their peers" to determine sentencing.

Offenders must admit their guilt and explain the circumstances of the incident to the jurors. Additionally, they must agree to comply with the sentencing handed down by their peers. Sentencing options may include community service, restitution, apology letters, future Teen Court jury duty and essays on a variety of topics.

Program Collaborators:

• Eric Foster, Inc.

- First-time non-violent offenders
- Ages 10 17

Contact:

Shelby County Probation Department
James Diller,
Chief Probation Officer

E-mail: jim.diller@co.shelby.in.us

Teen Court is a program designed to serve first-time juvenile offenders guilty of lesser offenses. A jury of their peers will sentence defendants in cases referred to **Teen Court**. The only adult involved in the actual courtroom proceedings is the Shelby Superior Court I Juvenile Family Court Judge.

Defendants referred to the *Teen Court* program must first admit their guilt to the alleged offense. They must also agree to comply with the disposition that may include: community service, essays, verbal/written apologies, substance abuse evaluations, or other creative options. Jurors cannot assign jail time or take the defendant out of their home.

Target Population:

- First-time offenders
- Middle or high school students residing in Shelby County

Program Collaborators:

Shelby County Drug Free Coalition

Phone: (812) 435-5125 **Fax:** (812) 435-5043

Contact:

Hon. Brett Niemeier, Judge Vanderburgh Superior Court

Teen Court is a program designed to serve first-time juvenile offenders guilty of lesser offenses. A jury of their peers will sentence juveniles in cases referred to the **Teen Court** program who must first admit their guilt to the alleged delinquent act. They must also agree to comply with the disposition, which may include: community service, essays, verbal/written apologies, substance abuse evaluations, or other creative options. Jurors cannot assign jail time or take the defendant out of their home.

Target Population:

- First-time offenders
- Middle or high school students

Program Collaborators:

- Evansville Bar Association
- Youth Resources

Teen Court/Truancy Court

Contact:

CHANCES for Indiana Youth **E-mail:** Brandon@cfiy.org

Teen Court is targeted at first-time offenders and designed as an alternative for adolescents meeting certain eligibility requirements. The court session metes out a constructive disposition before a real judge through a process utilizing teenage attorneys and jurors, giving a true definition of "jury of your peers."

Teen Court handles a variety of cases, from alcohol and tobacco to shoplifting and battery. In 2002, **Teen Court** teamed up with the Vigo County Juvenile Center (VCJC) to combat school truancy. After sentencing, truant youth have six months to improve their school attendance and complete their teen consequences.

Target Population:

- First-time offenders
- Juveniles with misdemeanor charges
- Truant juveniles

Program Collaborators:

- CHANCES for Youth
- Vigo County Juvenile Probation Department (Truancy Court)

Contact:

Dallas Duggan,
Chief Probation Officer
E-mail: wcpd@comteck.com

Teen Court is a diversion program for first time offenders of non-violent minor offenses. Offenders are offered the opportunity to appear before a "jury of their peers" to determine disposition. **Teen Court** provides a forum for peers to respond to negative behaviors. Restitution to the victim and community service is also a part of this educational reparations model.

Target Population:

- First-time offenders
- Non-violent offenders

Program Collaborators:

• Youth Services Bureau

VORP

Adolescent Victim Impact Panel

Contact:

Center for Community Justice

Elkhart:

121 S. 3rd Street Elkhart, IN 46516 **Ph:** (574) 295-6149

Goshen:

111 E. Washington St. Goshen, IN 46526 **Ph:** (574) 533-2501

The *Adolescent Victim Impact Panel* is where victims and offenders involved in drunk-driving accidents share their experience with an audience of juvenile offenders having charges related to drinking and driving. A minimum fee may apply.

Target Population:

- Ages 13 18
- Offenses related to drinking and driving

Court referral required.

Victim Offender Reconciliation Program (VORP)

Contact:

Center for Community Justice

Goshen:

111 E. Washington St. Goshen, IN 46526 **Ph:** (574) 533-2501

Elkhart:

121 S. 3rd Street Elkhart, IN 46516 **Ph:** (574) 295-6149

The *Victim Offender Reconciliation Program (VORP)* promotes a restorative vision of justice where reconcialition can be fostered between victims and offenders through face-to-face mediation. VORP provides a forum for victims and offenders to discuss the facts and their feelings associated with the case and address reparation options. A minimal fee may apply.

Target Population:

• Juveniles ages 13 – 18

Court order or referral required.

Victim's Impact Panel

Contact:

Don Travis, Chief Juvenile Probation Officer

E-mail: don_travis@co.howard.in.us

Address: http://www.co.howard.in.us/juv

The Victim's Impact Panel was designed as a tool for youth offenders to be held accountable to victims and the community. This program allows victims to share the impact of hurt, anger, and fear due to youth offenses. The victim is provided with a safe environment to confront their offender while the offender is also provided with a positive environment that will enable them to understand the impact of the their offenses. The mediation environment will enable the offender to feel anxiety about having to face their victim's and in turn, will heighten the sense of responsibility and increase the reparative aspects of their probation.

The goal of the program is to restore the health of the community and that the offender can, and must, contribute to that restoration. The panel is used as a tool to provide offender accountability, to involve victims with consideration for their needs, and to encourage repentant offenders to earn their way back into the good graces of the community.

- Shoplifters
- Ages 8-17
- Status Offenders
- Misdemeanors

Restorative Justice

Contact:

Community Corrections

Restorative Justice provides an opportunity for juvenile offenders to meet their victims through a professionally-led conference. The conference will result in an action plan for restoration that is agreed upon by all participating parties but must include a minimum of eight (8) hours of Community Restoration Services in the community. The victim is also given an opportunity to express their feelings about the incident and how it impacted their life.

- Male and female juvenile offenders
- Ages 12 18
- Personal injury or property damage offenses

Victim Impact Panel

Contact:

Suzanne Miller, Chief Juvenile Probation Officer

The Victim Impact Panel (VIP) is a panel comprised of family members and friends who have been victimized by substance abuse offenders. They present their testimonies sharing how their loss has changed their lives. This program is held once every three months in downtown Indianapolis at the Madame C.J. Walker Theatre and lasts for two hours. Out of county referrals accepted.

Target Population:

- Adults and juvenile offenders
- Substance-related offenses

Program Collaborators:

• Mothers Against Drunk Drivers (MADD)

There is a \$40 program participation fee.

Victim Impact Panel

Contact:

Brooke Green,
Juvenile Probation Officer
Web Address: http://www.kcgov.com

The Victim Impact Panel (VIP) is offered every second Tuesday of each month and is comprised of family members and friends who have been victimized by substance abuse offenders. They present their testimonies sharing how their loss has changed their lives. The panel was designed as a tool for youth offenders to be held accountable to victims and the community.

The victim is provided with a safe environment to confront their offender while the offender is also provided with a positive environment that will enable them to understand the impact of the their offenses.

The goal of the program is to restore the health of the community and that the offender can, and must, contribute to that restoration. The panel is used as a tool to provide offender accountability; to involve victims while considering their needs; and to encourage repentant offenders to earn their way back into the good graces of the community.

Target Population:

- Adolescents
- Substance-related offenses

Program Collaborators:

• Mother Against Drunk Driving (MADD)

OTHER

Alternative Supervision

Contact:

Dana Welling, Juvenile Probation **E-mail:** dwelling@elkhartcounty.com

Jill Wiese, Juvenile Probation **E-mail:** jwiese@elkhartcounty.com

Alternative Supervision is an informal supervision program for juveniles with minor delinquent histories such as status offenses, misdemeanors and minor juvenile offenses. The program is designed to last 3 to 6 months, but not to exceed one year. A probation department volunteer may supervise the juvenile.

Program Goals:

- Community protection from violent crime
- Ensure comprehensive, coordinated service delivery
- Ensure consistent, immediate consequences for any violations or offenses

Target Population:

- Juveniles with status offenses
- Minor delinquent histories
- First-time offenders

This program is court ordered or by prosecutor referral.

Adventure Program

Contact:

Susan Lightfoot,
Chief Probation Officer
E-mail: slightfoot@henryco.net

The Adventure Program is a program for youth having individual challenges in the areas of decision making, self-esteem, goal setting and team building. A master's level licensed therapist facilitates the program which is based on experiential learning. There is a \$50 participation fee with the balance of funding coming from grants and donations.

Target Population:

- At risk youth
- Henry County residents

Program Collaborators:

• Comprehensive Mental Health Services

This program is court ordered.

SAFE POLICY

Contact:

Don Travis, Chief Juvenile Probation Officer **E-mail:** don travis@co.howard.in.us

Address: http://www.co.howard.in.us/juv

SAFE POLICY stands for: School Administrators for Effective Public Operations Leading to Improved Child and Youth Services. The program was developed to identify at-risk youth and provide services to those youth prior to entering the Court system. The program focuses on those youth who have been identified as at-risk by inter-agency information sharing a data collection. Youths who have at least one "at-risk" behavior from three or more agencies are included in the target population.

Target Population:

- Delinquent youth
- CHINS cases
- Ages 4 17

Program Collaborators:

- Howard Circuit Court
- Office of Juvenile Services

Adolescent Sex Offender Treatment Program (ASOTP)

Contact:

Reach for Youth

Phone: (317) 920-5900

E-mail: ryf@reachforyouth.org

Web Address: http://www.reachforyouth.org

ASOTP is an out-patient treatment program for juvenile sex offenders who have admitted their involvement in illegal sexual behavior. Youths are given a comprehensive assessment by Reach for Youth to determine suitability for their treatment program. If they are appropriate, the juvenile and their family will attend weekly treatment meetings lasting for one year. The family is included in treatment for the purpose of confronting and redirecting destructive and abusive behavior patterns that are identified.

Target Population:

- Males ages 13 17
- Juvenile probationers
- Admitted involvement in some form of illegal sexual behavior

Program Collaborators:

Reach for Youth

Community Transition Program

Contact:

Diane Weiss-Bradley Chief Probation Officer

The *Community Transition Program* is for juveniles who have been ordered to the Department of Corrections (DOC). Their families receive home-based services, both therapeutic and case management in nature. Program services begin the day the child is committed. The child receives services through the DOC while their families receive services from one of three service providers who also service the children upon their release from DOC. The services continue after the child's commitment for a period of three to six months.

Target Population:

• Juveniles who are Lake County residents and their families

Program Collaborators:

- Indiana Department of Correction
- Campagna Academy
- Juvenile Justice Task Force
- Geminus Corporation

Diversion II

Contact:

Alternative Programs Department
Marion Superior Court,
Juvenile Division

Diversion II is a special one-day program held as an alternative to the filing of a youth's pending charge. This program provides children, parents and community volunteers the opportunity to work together and give their time and talents back to the community. Completion of this program will mean the Prosecutor's Office will dismiss the charges filed against the youth and close the case. Failure to attend this program or successfully complete it will mean the youth will need to attend court resulting in charges being filed and court fees assessed. Youth are referred to this program at the time of screening by the Receiving, Screening and Release (RSR) staff.

An assessment of \$129 Court fees and \$15/month Probation fees will be charged if juvenile fails to attend.

Restitution Work Program

Contact:

Heather Smith, Program Director Alternative Programs Department Marion Superior Court, Juvenile Division

The *Restitution Work Program* is a program sponsored by the Marion County Prosecutor's Office designed to increase juvenile accountability and to compensate individual victims and the community for its collective loss. Youth that have been ordered to pay restitution, but lack the finances to do so, are given an opportunity through this program to complete up to 40 hours of community service work at an earning rate of \$5.00 per hour. Youth do not receive this money. Earnings are paid directly to victims as restitution for damages and losses incurred by youth offenders. Victims are compensated from a Victim Restitution Fund.

Community Collaborators:

- Local community parks
- Neighborhood associations
- Indianapolis Police Department
- Marion County Prosecutor's Office

Summer Radio Program

Contact:

Renee Marsteller,
Chief Juvenile Probation Officer
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The *Summer Radio Program* was founded in 1993 to provide a creative and educational outlet for at-risk middle school students during the summer. Students are invited to be DJ's for several weeks at WGRE, the DePauw University radio station. Students select and play music at the station, they prepare and broadcast news and weather reports and community service announcements. Target students are those who are on probation or are considered seriously at-risk by school counselors or other social service providers.

Target Population:

Middle school age students

Program Collaborators:

- Kelsey Kuffman
- DePauw University

Out of county referrals are welcome.

Youth Improvement Program

Phone: (260) 688-1000 ext. 3000

Contact:

Kim Hutchinson, Juvenile Probation Officer

The *Youth Improvement Program* is a multi-faceted after school program, which lasts two hours per day, five days a week for nine to twelve weeks. The goal is to avoid placement outside the home for the student. Each youth given this dispositional alternative is expected to have his/her best effort toward success. The focus is on remedial education, drug/alcohol awareness, life skills and physical fitness. Participants complete the program by accumulating points based on attendance, class performance and attitude. The program is taught at the local YMCA..

Target Population:

- Juveniles ages 13 17
- First-time offenders
- Parental involvement required

Program Collaborators:

- Community Corrections
- Office of Family and Children

There is a \$500.00 fee for the program.

Family Preservation

Contact:

Bridget Roberts,
Program Director-Therapist
Hamilton Center, Inc.

Family Preservation is a home-based probation service provided by the Vigo County Probation Department and the Hamilton Center. The purpose is to prevent out-of-home placement for juvenile delinquents or to help transition juveniles back into their homes after an out-of-home placement has occurred.

Program Goals:

- Address the juvenile's mental health needs
- Minimize out-of-home placements
- Allow the juvenile to maintain school of employment in the community

Program Collaborators:

Hamilton Center